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WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

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MAY, 1893.

THE Woman's Foreign Missionary Meeting in connection with General Assembly and under the auspices of six Boards and Societies will be held in the Church of the Covenant (Dr. Hamlin, pastor), Washington, D. C., on Monday, May 22, opening at 2 o'clock. The afternoon will be devoted almost entirely to addresses from missionaries, a large number of whom are expected to be present. Missionary meetings will be held also for young people. Devotional meetings will be conducted under direction of the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions; for all of which due notice will be given in the papers.

SEASON of Annual Meetings—their toils and fruits. As we go to press, the scene is laid at one and the same time in Buffalo and San Francisco. Next week it shifts to Saratoga and among our "North Pacific" friends in Tacoma, Wash., and the last week in April, Meetings synchronize in Erie, St. Louis, and Burlington, Iowa.

"IT is lamentable to see Christian women leading the benevolence of the Church without reading our magazines. Will you kindly send specimen copies of - to - ."—*From a postal card.*

Young and old, the poor and (some of) the rich, have met together in keeping Self-Denial Week. Everybody seems to have had a taste of joy therefrom, and the fruits have been so many and so rare that it is expected the Board will shortly share them with their friends. Up to April 10, the Treasury had received \$15,000 from this source. One wrote from Montreal: "There are but two of us, and our living expenses weekly are less than four dollars; so we set ourselves a joyous fast for our blessed Master's work, and gladly send our little saving. May God multiply your resources, which I know He will do, now that you have put the work into His hands and also the responsibilities."

RESULTS of Prayer and Self-Denial Week in one New Jersey Church : Daily prayer meeting held by the Auxiliary and some voices for the first time heard in prayer, and institution of meetings monthly instead of quarterly, as before. Twelve boys from the Band, meeting after school for prayer, every day in the Week, and by denying themselves desserts, powder and shot, ice cream and candy, realizing \$6.26. Offerings from the Church, Christian Endeavor Society, and all others, \$403.32, of which \$200 came from two families.

TOTAL receipts of the Board through ordinary channels, during the month of March, were but \$1,477.21 more than last year; nearly \$357,000 due before May 1.

A READER begs to know how to pronounce Ndum, the name of the African chief mentioned by Dr. Good, and adds that she "always stumbles over such words as Mpongwe." The rule is, that M or N initial, preceding a consonant in African proper nouns, is pronounced as if preceded by u short, thus: ŭM-pong-we, ŭM-te-sa, and, presumably, ŭN-doom. Now let us tackle the name of the new Station which is to be opened, Nkŏňemekák : uN-kong-e-mě-kák (with accent on final syllable). As Dr. Good says, if we run it over rapidly two or three times it becomes easy.

No monotony in the missionary physician's life in Persia. Besides ministering to patients right and left, Dr. Jessie Wilson may be found teaching a class of Hamadan girls Sunday afternoon in the Persian tongue, and on a week-day occasion, setting forth a feast for them — ducks and rice, apples and candy. Now, she leads a weekly prayer meeting with the grown boys of her morning Sunday-school class; now she irons her own table cloths, and again, examines her medical students in chemistry. When a woman dies of poison,

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she is coroner, and, as dentist, is constantly putting to use the short experience she had in a dental college.

AT last reports from Ambala in the Punjab, Dr. Jessica Carleton was "buried" in a school for midwives, which Mr. Gladstone, Deputy Commissioner, had started. Eighteen women were under instruction, had been "ten days on the pelvic bones alone—slow work, but I hope sure." The doctor is determined that this "most important thing" which she had yet undertaken shall not fail if she has to sell her furniture to support it. Those who have all their lives regarded human life as sacred know in part, but only the woman physician who has seen mother and infant sacrificed together under the barbarous malpractice of the midwife, knows how sorely this training is needed in India.

OUR only missionary lady in Medellin, Colombia, explains the uses to which their house is put. The largest room is called the "church," the next largest the "school." During Mr. Touzeau's country journeys "I sometimes do not speak a word of English from the time he goes away until his return." Four members were received to the Church last year.

MR. GALE finds an encouraging attention to the Gospel in Gensan, the new station on the east coast of Korea. Three men have found Christ and borne witness for their new faith by gathering their heathen books and burning them before the doors of their houses. Heavy snows fall in that section, and one severe storm, in the second week of January last, overtook the missionary who had started on foot to cross the mountain passes, in order to attend annual mission meeting in Seoul.

It will give pain to many all over our land to learn that the beloved Mrs. D. P. Cochran, senior member of the Persia missions, has been laid aside from active duty by a stroke of paralysis.

OUR friends at Tripoli, Syria, have met with a great loss in the death of the acting pastor of the church and Arabic master in the girls' school. Though but twenty-six years old, he was one of the most trusted men in the mission and influential and respected among all classes. A case of typhoid fever occurred in school in February, and, over-taxed with care, Miss Holmes contracted pneumonia and, as late as March 17, was still unable to sit up.

THERE are eight millions unevangelized people in Siam. The population of Bangkok is 700,000.

EXTENSIVE railway surveys have been made in Farther India, under English direction, and, last year, rails were laid and a trial trip made for six miles north from Paknam (Portsmouth) at the mouth of the Meinam River. This road is to be shortly carried through to Ayuthia.

FROM March 13 to 20 and after, a stream of delightful letters from India came pouring in, just after the April magazine had gone to press or was entirely printed. In order to be most available, they should have come before March 1.

MOHAMMEDANS of India have a theological seminary in Saharanpur as well as we, and their students have been laying themselves out with arguments of words and sometimes of stones, to interrupt the daily evening preaching conducted near the grain bazaar, by Dr. Chas. Forman, Jr. So, then, the Mohammedan gentleman who rented his little building to the mission for a year tries to back out of his bargain before two months are up. We predict that Dr. Forman will keep on preaching in that building.

THE whole force of Futtehgurh Station was out, in January, in a district not visited by a missionary lady for nearly five years. Mrs. Janvier's little organ was "drawing" and "large crowds of women and children in every village, listened wonderfully" to the simple gospel. It was so cold in camp, the ladies were glad to get back to a house and fire, and Mr. Janvier and Mr. John Forman preached themselves hoarse at the mela. The latter was challenged by a Hindu in a certain village: "You have been coming here every cold season for a number of years and don't seem to have succeeded in winning many of us to your way of thinking." "You say that immense building was reared in a night?" replied the missionary, pointing to a tomb with which such a legend is connected. "Yes," said the Hindu. "So it will be here, you will wake up some morning to find the seed we have been sowing has taken root and there will be many Christians here."

OUR MISSIONARIES IN SIAM AND LAOS,

AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Letters for Chieng Mai and Lampoon should be sent via Burma and Raheng; for Lakawn, via Raheng and Myawaddi.

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HEAR THOSE MISSIONARIES IN LAOS!

LAMPOON, LAOS, January 20, 1893.

REV. ARTHUR MITCHELL, D.D.,

Sec'y Pres. Board Foreign Missions.

OUR late Annual Meeting at Lakawn was the most important in the history of the Laos Mission. More important questions were decided than at any previous meeting and all with the most cordial unanimity. Never before were there half so many providential openings and consequent responsibilities placed upon a meeting of our mission. As the claims of one new field after another were presented, the solemnity grew. At the suggestion of the chairman we stopped our business discussions and stilled our souls while Dr. McGilvary led us in prayer for orders from our Commander. We all feel that that prayer has been answered.

If authorized work in our three stations has developed under God's blessing so that there is absolute need of expansion can we fail to ask for the necessary reinforcements? If in answer to worldwide prayer for missions, God's providence has opened doors into new provinces, dare we fail to let the home Church know of it? Have we not been placed by the Church on these frontiers, as much to watch for the Lord's signal calls to advance as we have to do our own little share of the work itself?

Under a deep conviction of duty and feeling that to do otherwise would be a betrayal of trust, the Mission decided to make request of the Board for appropriations to cover eight phases of new work.

I. We renew the request for an appropriation for enlarging the Chieng Mai Boys' School building. The claim of the school and its crying need of more room has been before you for two years. Mr. Collins' residence has been overrun with schoolboys. . . The Christian Church takes a big contract when she supplants the Buddhist monastic system of education. She owes it to the whole country, Buddhist as well as Christian, to make adequate provisions for a Christian educational system as fast as she supplants the pagan. Not even the claims of new provinces should precede this request. This is our most imperative need, our standing request until granted.

II. We request the Board to authorize and provide for opening a new station in Praa. This involves sending one medical and one clerical missionary there and granting an appropriation for one residence this year. Dr. Briggs has asked to be sent. . . . This has always been an open field, rulers friendly and people receptive, but famine relief has opened the door still wider. Urgent calls have come from the people for the establishment of a missionary among them. Ought not the soul famine there to appeal more strongly to the Church than did the food famine?

III. We ask the Board to authorize and provide for opening a new station in Chieng Hai. The same equipment required as for Praa. Mr. and Mrs. Phraner are willing to be transferred to Chieng Hai so soon as a physician is sent. The opening of this station has long been planned and prayed for. Property has been given by government. Two churches in this field have been organized and are doing as well as orphans in swaddling clothes could be expected to do. The Roman Catholics are encroaching upon the Laos country from the North. . . . The field includes more than a dozen unreached peoples (tribes).

IV. We ask for a physician for Lampoon and a residence for him. A good practice is already established. In December, 1892, there were 500 treatments by the native assistant and the receipts from sale of medicines were more than double the amount of his salary for the month. A compound has been secured free of cost to the Board.

The city of Lampoon being near to Chieng Mai, the Board stipulated that whatever missionary couple went to Lampoon must go prepared to do without a physician for two years. This has been done not at great risk to the health of the couple who went, but at cost of care and work for which they were not fitted and which has become too great a burden. Experience shows that it is out of the question for the Chieng Mai physician to take care of Lampoon. He has his hands more than full.

V. We ask the Board to authorize and provide for opening a new station at Raheng with an equipment similar to that of Praa and Chieng Hai. This city is at the head of steamboat navigation on the Mâ Ping. It is connected with the outside world by two lines of telegraph and mail service, one to Bangkok, the other to Burma. Raheng is well located for river work. The present stations are cut off by rapids from communication with much of the river population for a considerable portion of the year. But with a good boat, a station at Raheng could work a well populated river course of 300 or 400 miles. All these river villages are receptive of the gospel preached in either Siamese or Laos dialect. The veteran Rev. J. Wilson offers to open up Raheng, and the people there have asked him to come. . . Is the Church planning for anything less than the occupation of Siam?

VI. We ask for two young ladies for Lakawn, one as teacher in the Boys' School, the other in the Girls' School. . . We also want them in order to free the clerical missionaries for evangelistic work which was never so pressing and so promising.

VII. We renew the request for an additional physician for Chieng Mai. The routine of medical work in Chieng Mai is too much for one man. . . . He has no time for vacations, no rest for himself or family, no leisure for preparation of medical literature or systematic instruction of assistants. Above all he has no opportunity for medico-evangelistic work. We desire to have our physicians in position to follow up their cases and gather them into the Church of Christ.

VIII. We ask for an appropriation for a residence in Chieng Mai, . . . a necessity unless it is intended to reduce the number of clerical missionaries. We hope the Board will not think for a moment of such a reduction. With schools, a press, preparation of literature, three churches (one widely scattered), the parent station ought not to be deprived of any of her working force. . . .

To summarize :--

We ask for 4 ministers, 4 physicians, their wives and 2 young ladies, in all 18 new laborers. We ask for the establishment of 3 new stations, for the building of 5 residences besides the enlargement of the boys' school building.

One of our number has thus voiced our unanimous feeling. "I believe that God has awakened us as a mission and as individuals, and woe be unto us if we allow this awakening to go no further than our own hearts. I believe we ought to shout this call — *shout* it until the Church hear."

We ask the Board not to say a hasty nay to any item of the above requests. We have given them in order of precedence not because any of them are unimportant but because some are relatively more important. Please delay the final vote on this new work, if men and funds are not at hand, until you have had time to pass our appeal on to the Church.

Tell the Church the hand of God is in The Presbyterian Church this matter. has a free field and full responsibility in this Laos land. With a meagre force, working on a small scale, we have been signally blessed in the past. We now appeal to the Church to seize the opportune moment, obey the voice of Christ and evangelize the whole land. Our appeal is sanctioned by the judgment of every missionary on the field, by unusual providential openings and by the most urgent necessities. It is backed by the prayers of all the missionaries and, since the first day of the Week of Prayer, by the daily supplication of hundreds of Laos Christians. The form of the answer we leave with Him who has inspired the praver.

In behalf of the Laos Mission, W. C. Dodd.

THANK God for Missions that have outgrown last year's jacket and require new measurements. It is not with grudging but parental pride you take your little boy to the tailor and see him emerge from kilts into roundabout and knickerbockers. He is going to cost you more every year, till he attains to manhood and pays back to his generation what you have laid out on him. It is just so in the Laos, with this difference: that sturdy child over there is paying back from the That model Lao pastor at Chieng first. Mai, the blind medical evangelist at Lakawn, those fifty students at Lampoon, the Moosur headman of seventy years — they all have been more than simply witnessing for Christ, they are enlisting their countrymen into His army right along.

What answer can our Church send in faithfulness to the appeal of this Mission? Let every one consider that we are already in Lao Land. We are *there*, in the persons of our representatives, in our own Presbyterian name before the world, by the solemn obligation of having preempted that country. We have given promissory notes and we must meet the result now that they mature.

Let business men look into the record of this Mission. Is it not their rule always, that when an investment is paying they take more shares in the same stock? No other presbytery in the bounds of our Church has such gains to show for the last two years.

Consider the disheartening effect on our brethren if we answer them coldly. When armies are consolidated and in marching order and on the path to conquest, could anything be more demoralizing than to remand them to camp? Here is a consolidated little Mission. The members are of one mind. Men and women, they work hand in hand. They know the field and the opportunity. Under the profound conviction that "to do otherwise would be betrayal of a trust," they "shout" to the Church whose commission they bear. Can we do other than send back an answering cheer --- "Yes, brethren, we are beside you and behind you, with our purse and our prayers!" But that is not enough! More precious offerings, this appeal invites. The missionaries in Laos do not merely beg of the Board to *send* reinforcements. They vie with one another in offers to rise and take

their pioneer staff and lead into unbroken fields. Their cry is *Come*. Who will be the first to accept that home-like, fraternal invitation? There are large churches among us, plethoric with wealth and culture, but whose spiritual life runs thin for want of exercise on the high fields of sacrifice. They have never sent a missionary to the foreign field. There are many other churches, comfortable, satisfied with adding to their faith, knowledge, knowledge, all the time. It goes too much to the head. They are in danger of paralysis. They have not sent one of their own to the heathen world for twenty, thirty, forty years. Oh, Pastors, Sundayschool teachers, women of the Auxiliary, help to thrust forth consecrated young men and women from your midst, and that shower of blessing for which your hearts are fainting shall visit and revive your own garden plot. Are you silent and inactive because you know in your secret soul that one just fitted for this service is your own choice daughter that you fondly hoped to place in a fine establishment at home ?- is that son whom your pride has foreseen at the top of a lucrative profession? They of old "straightway left their nets" and followed Jesus. And the loving disciple of to-day does the same. Only a few weeks ago a young man went home from college to consult his father, whose wishes he knew lay in a direction different from his own. Though that father "would rather have given fifty thousand dollars," he yielded a free consent for his son to serve Christ on any mission field.

The mission in Laos has sent its appeal, not to the Board of Foreign Missions, but to the Church, through the Board. The Board prepares to make answer according as the Church directs. "Is the Church planning for anything less than the occupation of Siam?"

How shall we reply to the Board, the Mission?—Nay, not what answer shall we send to them, but what shall we say to the Lord Jesus? Let us take example of our brethren at their Annual Meeting, and, stilling our souls, seek in prayer for "orders from our great Commander." In view of His Passion and Resurrection and that day when every eye shall see Him, does not His "Follow me" lead on among those other sheep in Praa, in Chieng Hai, in Raheng?

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WOMAN'S WARD AT LAKAWN HOSPITAL.

FRESH FACTS FROM THE LAOS MISSION. [Consult the Map.]

TOTAL Church membership, 1,414.

Added on confession of faith, 1891–'92, 241; 1892–'93, 299.

CHIENG MAI, last year : Accessions to the Church, 124 on confession, 90 children baptized, 6 elders ordained, average attendance at Sunday-school, 170.

Boarding-schools: (1) Boys, 105, twothirds of them boarders, 35 church members. Five teachers, two school-rooms. All of Mr. Collins's classes recited at his house; two classes recited at the same time on one porch where each could hear all that was said by the other.

(2) Girls 77; united with the Church, 7. The Press earned \$200.

Medical Department : Dr. McKean had 4,500 cases. He introduced vaccination and civilized medicines to the Moosurs.

LAKAWN, last year: Thirty adults baptized. The only Christian in Moung Nyow came, bringing a delegation of men from his town to study, preparatory to baptism. Two villages studying our books under their own chief priest.

Famine relief engaged every missionary.

Boys in school, 63, of whom 4 became Christians.

Medical Department : Dr. Briggs had

more than 3,000 out-patients and 100 hospital cases, of whom 16-20 at a time. Dr. Peoples often had 60 cases a day while touring in famine time. Regarding the hospital ward for women, lately completed, Dr. Briggs says :

"The first money given with which to start this woman's ward was from a very poor woman who is lying sick with cancer. She laid by a tenth of her income for one year, \$30.00, and gave three dollars to help her suffering sisters in heathen darkness. Not a cent went into this ward but was given by women.

"I want you to tell the ladies in America who are thinking of and praying for our work here, that we have now a comfortable ward that can accommodate ten women. It is for the mothers and sisters at home to see that nothing is needed to continue this work. The beds are all furnished now but will need new furnishings every year and perhaps oftener. If this ward is used to the extent we hope it will be, it will cost for medicines and other furnishings at least \$15.00 per bed each year."

LAMPOON, last year (opened in the autumn of 1891): Church, 72 additions, an increase of 60 per cent.; total membership, 191; contributions, \$65.13. Sundayschool, 100. Five new villages cared for by the missionary, making twenty in all.

Training School in session five months; 47 students, of three races, from six Eight desire to study for the provinces. Students engage in personal ministry. Christian work nearly every day.

Medical Department: Opened without a physician, without even a pair of scales. A Lao, trained by Dr. Peoples, afterward came and had 1,500 cases. The direct results were nine believers, the favor of hundreds, and the perpetual lease, by government, of a fine piece of land for medical and religious purposes.

UP NORTH: Three days' journey from Chieng Mai is a village where at last accounts there was but one Christian man. At Chieng Dow, sixty miles up the river, there is no church but 49 persons were awaiting baptism. Four and a half days from Chieng Mai is Pa Pow, where a church was organized in Jan., '92. Dr. McKean wrote: "I have never seen a more hospitable and pious company of Christians in this land." Two days from Pa Pow is Maa Con, the point of departure for Moosur villages in the mountains.

THE MOOSURS: The first convert was

AN OUTLINE MAP AND A FEW

WHERE are our missionaries in Siam located, with reference to Calcutta? to Singapore? to Hainan? to the Baptist Missions of Burma? to the Cambodia River? to the southern border of China? The map shows.

Making a Christian Literature. The press at Bangkok accomplished last year, in Siamese :

I. and II. Kings, 500,000 copies, printed. Dr. Bradley's "Life of Christ," published. 2d Edition, "Pilgrim's Progress," 6,000 copies, put on sale.

Siamese Arithmetic, in press.

"Daybreak," a small Christian newspaper with an English column, completed Vol. I.

Affording Christian Education.

Boys' High School at Sumray in Bangkok, 1892 : 141 Students.

81 Average attendance.

3 Graduates.

7 Received to the Church.

Prayer-meeting developed a Christian Endeavor Society.

At Petchaburee, 18 students. Oldest boy received to the Church. A small fee required from every pupil and they hull their own rice.

Girls' schools : at Wang Lang in Bangkok. Table family, 44. Miss Cole has returned. At Petchaburee, 35 day-pupils.

Cha Boo Kaw, 70 years old, one of the head men. He speaks Laos and has been most useful in touring with Dr. McGilvary. Their villages extend up into China and one language is spoken in all. They have no written language. They are descendants of a northern race once noted for its warriors. The people are fair in their dealings, industrious and have neat homes. Their chief vice is opium smoking. One of the head men, a confirmed smoker, abandoned the habit after conversion. The best house in the Christian village is the chapel which they built themselves and where they have daily prayers. On Sunday they refuse to receive visits from Moosur friends and go down to the plains to worship with the Laos at Maa Con.

CHIENG HAI is only seven or eight miles from Maa Con in the edge of the Moosur country. They desire a missionary. Officials are friendly.

CHIENG SAN, 160 miles from Chieng Mai, is the northern outpost occupied in the Laos field. Thirty church members. "The call in front," wrote Rev. Hugh Taylor, "not encouragement from those at our backs, presses us to appeal for reinforcements.

MISSION OUTLINES FROM SIAM.

Small day-schools here and there; at Ban Mai, 25 scholars.

Preaching and Teaching the Gospel.

Churches in Siam Mission, 7; members, 400; added in 1892, 24.

Sunday-schools with attendance, at Sumray 110; Petchaburee, 40, contributed, \$32.

TOURING FIELDS: (1). Up and down Petchaburee River. Thirty miles by horseback out from Ta Yang, one of the chief towns up river, a Karen village was visited for the first time, last year.

(2). North of Bangkok, 60 miles or more, to the old capital, Ayuthia. Little company of believers there. Mr. Snyder's boatmen, by continuous hard rowing, brought the swift, new boat down in 12 hours.

(3). Down the Gulf of Siam, 400-500 miles along the west shore. Nakawn Province "ripe for the Gospel." Nakawn City, 10,000 people. At Pakpanang, on the coast, are some church members. There, Mr. Eakin and Mr. Eckels sold all their books in five minutes and the people grumbled because there were no more. Siamese temples were as open to them for services as any other building. Eleven

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MISSION OUTLINES FROM SIAM.



priests were in their audience at one *wat*. They held five services in one day, one of them, by invitation, in a Chinese temple. There are Christians also at Bandon, a village which entertained in one year smallpox, cholera and a typhoon which destroyed houses and fruit trees.

Administering Civilized Medicines.

A "Queen's Fund" exists at Petchaburee with which a woman's ward is to be built in connection with the hospital in charge of Dr. Toy. A medical-evangelistic work is done in Ratburee.

Industrial Effort for Women.

Mrs. Eakin wrote from Bangkok in February :

" It has always grieved me to see the girls and women who have to earn their own support so often going astray because good places for work are hard to find in this wicked city.

"I have racked my brain to think up

some special work for them which would bring them a living. At last I decided to try making jelly, jam, vinegar, pickles, Never having had time to experietc. ment with the fruits of this country, and having no Siamese cook-book to help me, I have had to spend a good many hours in the kitchen making sweets and making the recipes at the same time. I had no funds to start with, so I made a few things and sold them, then a few more, and so on, until I could get a little ahead to give employment to one or two women for a day at a time. Little by little, the business has increased until my kitchen

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS THAT STRUCK HOME.

I TEACH a class of Lao women in Sunday-school, usually about six or eight in attendance, though once there were twenty-five and last Sabbath sixteen. All who can read in the school are studying the Sermon on the Mount. None of my women can read.

I teach the lesson by reading and explaining to them and, then, trying to get them to tell me what they have understood. Last Sabbath our lesson was the Lord's Prayer. I told them among other things, that we should not pray, "Lead us not into temptation," and then go to gambling places. When I said that, one woman got up and went home. She lives right beside us and was a candidate for baptism at one time, but when she learned more of the doctrine, she went back and seldom comes to service now. I fear the lesson touched her closely. and store room are too cramped to hold Mr. Dunlap's moving the printing us. press across the river left a vacant room, which I am putting to this use. Some Chinese carpenters have been making cupboards and tables out of old boxes and 'me and the coolie' are plastering and whitewashing the room. A timely gift of \$5 from an old school friend came in unexpectedly 'for personal use,' so I thanked the Lord and passed it into the hands of the carpenter. As this effort is for the purpose of saving souls and glorifying God, I cannot but believe that He will bless it.'

Most of the class seem anxious to learn and obey. They are Christian women, with a few exceptions. One lives away down the country and is very poor, but she comes regularly and can usually report afterwards, almost verbatim, what I have told them. When we were studying about the birth of Christ I told them that He said, "Whosoever receiveth one such little child in my name receiveth me," and all those beautiful verses showing how we can minister to Him, as Mary did She said so eagerly, "Did He then. really say that? Well, I never heard it before, but that is just what I did for that little child I had baptized last Sabbath. He was an orphan and I took care of him and have promised to train him for the Lord." She looked so happy when I told her these verses applied to her.

Belle Eakin Dodd.

VACATION AND TERM TIME-A YEAR'S RECORD.

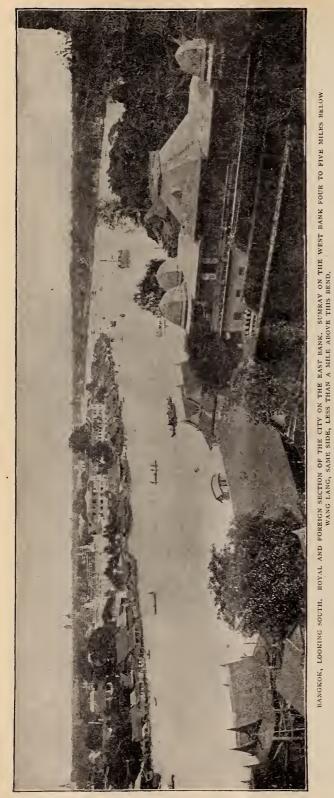
WE came down to Ang Hin on the East Coast of Siam, April 15 (1892), in search of coolness and salt air. It is very hot in Bangkok now. I did not know how tired out the term's work had left me The most popular until I got away. amusement we find here is our nap. We ladies take two of these a day, lasting from breakfast to tiffin, and from tiffin to dinner. If by chance there is time for less important matters, we read, walk, or make efforts to master the art of swimming. We can go into the water only at sunrise or sunset, for when the sun is an hour high it is not safe, without hats or umbrellas.

We are a party of seven, besides the baby boy, and there are no white people

nearer us than Bangkok, fifty miles away. We have no telegraph, mail, or other means of communication with the outside world. We came in a steamer just big enough for our party and luggage, and the same steamer was chartered for our return trip, so our vacation of two weeks has to end at the day agreed upon.

There are houses built at Ang Hin some years ago by a Minister of Foreign Affairs, expressly as a sanitarium for Americans, English or Siamese, who care to come and occupy them free of charge. If there is any foundation for the Buddhist idea of "merit making" I am sure that gentleman made merit by this kindly deed.

We were obliged to bring all our bed-



ding and kitchen furnishings. We found here bedsteads, tables and a native fireplace. We have our folding chairs and hammocks for comfort, but they are not adapted for dining chairs. Bureaus and washstands are superfluous while we have deep window seats and a capacious floor. To use the floor for table and cupboard is essentially Siamese and natural to our servants. Those who advocate foreign missionaries living like natives of the country, would approve of our tactics now,unless they could take a meal with us.

The place is named Ang Hin, or Stone Basin, from the reservoirs for rain water. There are cavities in the rock near the beach and these have been made to hold water for drinking. The Siamese bathe in fresh water almost exclusively and while we are battling with the surf, they go to the stone "ang" and pour water over themselves.—(From a letter.)

Two weeks in April were spent at the sea-shore, and four would have been better. After opening school Miss Cooper was laid aside by a slight illness, and Mrs. Cooper took her place three weeks.

The summer term closed in September, for the holidays in honor of the King's birth-The fall term closed day. November 30, to permit our attendance on Annual Meet-The school year ending ing. March, 1893, will probably be thirty-eight weeks in all. The total enrollment has been forty-four, of whom twenty-two paid in full. Of the others, some paid half-price, some for books only, and seven received free books and board. The average attendance has been twenty-six.

In sewing class, receipts have been nearly \$400 in gold. The earnings exceed expenses by 200 *ticals*, equal to \$90. After much study of text-books available in Siamese, and of the needs of the school, a fuller course was marked out, which the mission has approved. It is hoped to add to this a two years' course which shall give us a better claim to the name of High School. The next difficult task was to re-classify the pupils. Written examinations were held in most of the classes above the primary, and the grading based partly on the result.

One event this year was cause of great grief to all, and must be mentioned in a complete record. A girl who had been in school for thirteen years, a Christian for seven, and a teacher part of the last two, fell into the gravest of sins, and had to be dismissed from her position of trust and responsibility. The silver lining to this dark cloud is the fact that the girl seems truly penitent, has done all in her power to set right the wrong, and seems resolved, with Divine help, to lead a consistent Christian life in future.

At Communion in November, four girls were received to the Church. These are the first additions from the school proper in over two years.

Two of these young Christians are daughters of a Laos king of Luang Prabang, a province far north of Chieng Mai and as yet unreached, except perhaps in touring, by Christian teachers. They will have no one at home to aid them in their new life, and seem to realize that they may have to suffer for Christ and to be firm in the resolve to serve Him at all costs. We must believe that He will help them to hold fast the profession of their faith without wavering. (*Rept. of Wang Lang School.*)

Larissa J. Cooper.



THRESHING RICE IN SIAM. THE TWO WOMEN POUND IT IN THE MORTAR BY ALTERNATE BLOWS OF THEIR PESTLES.

RICE THE PRIMARY FOOD OF FARTHER INDIA.

THRESHING IT IN THE SOUTH.

As rice is the principal food of the Siamese, you understand that the great industry of the people of this country is planting, reaping and preparing the rice for home use and for trade.

Harvest begins about the first of January, the third month after the rains have ceased, consequently the ground is very hard and baked. The Siamese prepare a smooth place on the ground to thresh their rice and spread a few sheaves of grain over it. Then they drive a team of buffaloes over it until the grain is well separated from the straw, which is removed, and chaff and grain are put into a large basket such as you see in the picture. When the wind is strong the grain is separated from the chaff and stored in granaries.

To hull rice, a large wooden bowl shaped like a mortar is half filled with grain. One then seizes a mallet and pounds until the kernels are unsheathed from the husk. They are then sifted out and put away ready for cooking.

Letty D. Snyder.

BEATING IT IN A LAOS VILLAGE.

We arrived just in time to witness the process of rice beating. The reaping is all done by hand and the stalks when cut are tied in bundles of a size convenient to handle. A spot 30 or more feet square is then cleared in the field and the bundles stacked in a circle around the outer edge. A bench is made and placed within the circle. The one we measured was 17 feet long and 21/2 feet high. Two bamboo stakes were driven into the ground at each end of it and made firm by crosspiece attachments, giving the appearance of a carpenter's horse. On this were placed four poles of split betel wood with bark uppermost. The bundles are taken in the hand and beaten over this bench. three or four good strokes being sufficient to remove all the grains, which fall below and around the bench.

But one rice beating takes place at one time in a neighborhood, and all turn in and help each other. Most of it is done at night, when a general frolic is made and supper served. The night I witnessed it was dark and bonfires were kindled of the beaten bundles, the children amusing themselves by lighting some of the empty sheaves and pitching them up into the air from the end of a stick, which often made very pretty rockets. joined in the fun and beat for an hour. About twelve can beat at a time on a bench of such length as I described.-From a letter by Miss Westervelt (since become Mrs. Phraner).

EATING 1T.

Table-cloths are unknown and the table is small and round, raised about six inches from the ground. On this, curry is placed and any vegetables and pepper sauce. The rice is not put on the table, but on the floor in small baskets or dishes used for that only. Each person takes his rice with his fingers, makes a ball of it, dips it into the curry, then into the pepper, and eats it. No spoons are used at the table and no drinking cups. After the meal is over they go to the water jars and drink from a cocoanut dipper. Spoons to stir the curry are made from the shell of the cocoanut and are nice. The dishes are a rough delf but not ugly-looking, not unlike the old-fashioned blue stone ware.

DISTRIBUTING RICE DURING THE FAMINE.

The people used to come early in the morning and wait until noon for their dinner. To all who could work we gave it and thus made them feel they were not mere beggars. The women made some hundred pillows for the boys' school and the hospital wards, and mattresses and covers and pillow-cases. I spent the most of my mornings in overseeing the sewing, preparing it for them and in trying to interest the women in our religion. Many of the old women used to say "We come early because we want to hear about the God who helped us when we were starving." We could not feed every one who came, but we always gave to those in greatest need. The hardest thing we had to do was to send some away who looked less starved than others, and that was because we could not have continued to help the *most needy* had we not made some distinction.

I cannot forget one time that our rice was about done, and we were using the last of it to put to soak for the next day's meal. The thought that our poor starving people would have to go without their daily rice was one more burden of sorrow, when some one came in and said, "The cattle are coming with our rice," and soon we saw the drove of oxen coming up into the yard. Poor, tired cattle that had been laden at Chieng Mai and carried their load of rice across the mountain and through the hot plains. There is always a better rainfall there than in Lakawn Province, so the rice seldom fails in Chieng Mai and Lampoon. Our famine rice was all purchased there. Some of the Christians always accompanied the cattlemen over the mountains so as to see that the rice came to us with no loss. Sometimes there were a hundred cattle in one drove. The rice is put in baskets that are fastened to a saddle, a basket on either side.

One day when we counted the people who had come for their dinner we found a much larger number than we had prepared for. On learning this, some said, "Give us

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FAMINE SUFFERERS WAITING FOR DINNER IN FRONT OF DR. BRIGGS' HOUSE.

less to eat, send no one empty away," and one old woman said to me "Nie, here is a woman who has not eaten rice for ten days; give mine to her, I can ote," (endure). She would have had to "endure," as she had been having but one meal a day herself.

Kate N. Fleeson.

The King of Siam has made grateful acknowledgment to the Mission, for the

relief rendered to his people last year. The sum sent for the purpose from America was \$8,727. The starving were fed without regard to class; heathen and Christians, slaves and free alike. Fifty thousand meals were given from the rice kitchen at Lakawn. Every case of suffering was relieved by the Committee with rice and not with money. Distribution was made in nineteen villages outside of Lakawn.

LIVELY TIMES AT LAKAWN.

(From a home letter, bearing date January 8, 1893.)

I BELIEVE in the little girl who said "If I am going to be good, I must have good things to eat." We have all been having "good things to eat" lately and feel happy and good in consequence. Presbytery met here December 15. Ten missionaries came from Chieng Mai, and when their ten elephants walked into the yard and the people and their things tumbled out of the howdahs, it was the liveliest scene we ever had here. In the morning it was delightful to look over the rice plain from which the rice had just been reaped, and see the ten elephants, six horses, five buffaloes, a cow and calf, ducks and chickens, scattered about; but the chief attraction was a baby elephant, born during the night,

the tiniest, ugliest little thing, but its mother was Dr. McGilvary's gentle elephant, so Ray and Ella could go close to it without danger and of course they were delighted. Mrs. Taylor and I had made mince pies and sausage, pound cake and cookies. I had made a quantity of roselle — much like cranberries — jelly and guava jelly, and we had plum-pudding, a ham and a cheese, a bag of potatoes from Java, and lettuce, lima beans, turnips, beets, new potatoes, onions, squash, egg plant, okra, sweet potatoes and corn, from our vegetable gardens of which we are very proud. Then their men had bought six beeves, besides ducks and chickens, and we had put twenty fish in the well. Now, doesn't that sound appetizing? Monday night, eighteen white people sat at our table, with the two children. Twenty missionaries in Lakawn, and nothing but harmony and love.

It was a week crowded full of business with plenty of work for all, but we enjoyed every moment of it. Mr. and Mrs. Dodd stayed a week with us after the others had gone, and the same day they went (taking Mr. Irwin with them to help Mr. Dodd in the Training School), Dr. Peoples started for a village two days east of Lakawn, to attend a sick head priest. He is still there. His success with the priest, who had been sick two years, gained him many friends and he writes that he never met with such cordiality. They come from a dozen villages near and are learning with all their hearts. Three villages want to unite with the Church in a body. Doctor says of course this cannot be done, but we have won the confidence of all the best men of this region. On his next trip, which will be south, Ray and I shall go with him. Doctor dislikes a house so much, I'm not sure but we shall take to a

tent; our doors and windows are open the whole year, yet he is not nearly as well at home as he is in camp. He is going soon to make a visit in Muang Nan further east. I do not want to go, but shall if it is best. It is located on the Nan River, not far from the Cambodia, both rivers impassable for boats to Nan. although they come up within two days. A prince from Nan has called here repeatedly lately and always talks of Christianity; says he and 300 of his people are ready to accept it. Says if we will come to Nan, he will bring elephants to carry us and our goods over. The work is opening up wonderfully. Whatever changes there may be, "God is in his world, all's well."

My rose garden has nearly fifty large bushes loaded with many varieties. I love to gather them with the dew upon them; and the heliotropes, great masses falling either side of the front steps, fill the air with perfume. Mr. Wilson had a rose geranium twelve feet high with a bird-nest and eggs in it. You have the great Fair; we have peace. Always, compensation in life.

Mrs. S. C. Peoples.

THE CHURCH ESTABLISHED IN KOREA.

THROUGH Woman's Work for Woman I want to give to women of our Church an account of some of the results of Mrs. Gifford's work for the last year or so.

On Christmas Day in our Seoul church it was my privilege to baptize six women whom she has been visiting and instructing for some time. These, with the baptism of four men and two infants and administration of the Lord's Supper to thirtyfive communicants, the largest number ever gathered in our Korean church, made the day one of rejoicing to us all.

Among the women baptized was an old lady of eighty-one who has been attending services for several years. She was a native doctor and has access to many homes where we hope to see her carry the news of the Great Physician. Another woman was over sixty years of age, while the youngest, a girl of eleven, is the daughter of our evangelist, Mr. Saw. His face glowed with joy as he saw the baptism of not only this girl and also an infant daughter, but that of his wife whom we had long been hoping to see declare herself a Christian. They are a happy family and now that we have three Christian families in Korea (husband and wife both being members of the Church), with the wives of two others in the country declaring their faith, we feel that the Church is *established*.

Interest attached to the baptism of a six weeks' old baby, on that day, from the fact that she is the daughter of the first girl who has gone forth from Miss Doty's school to establish a Christian home. No doubt those who for several years supported "Chyongi" in the school will rejoice with us over the baptism of her little girl.

The services of the day made a deep impression upon the large congregation of men and women and the Church has evidently grown stronger. The past year has seen the introduction of weekly offerings and the members have elected two of their number to act with one of the missionaries as a Council to decide upon the use of funds so collected. This is a step looking toward the selection of deacons and elders. We are planning for larger work among the women now that we have a new supply of workers. Under Mrs. Gifford's efficient counsel they are already entering upon new lines of work. Samuel A. Moffett.



SIAM.

THAT WEDDING AT PETCHABUREE.

MRS. MARGARET GALT ECKELS, writing from RATEUREE, January 20, says of her marriage on Thanksgiving Day previous :

That morning an aged colporteur who had lain sick for some time in hospital, died, and arrangements for his burial consumed the time so that the ceremony uniting our lives was delayed until 5 P.M. About 200 native friends were present and the verandah and sitting and dining-rooms of the ladies' house were crowded with men, women and children, all eager to see the foreign wedding, the first, I suppose, that had taken place in Petchaburee.

No other guests were there except our Petchaburee friends and the United States Consul, Mr. Eaton. After the ceremony and congratulations were over, our Siamese friends were invited down into the chapel, where refreshments of native cakes, confections and tea were served, being entertained meanwhile by a native band, which had kindly tendered its services. Later in the evening we had our supper given by Mr. and Mrs. McClure, after which Dr. Toy and family and Mr. Eaton started for Bangkok.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Four days after we all followed, Mr. McClure's family and cousin Annabel going in the nice, new, large touring boat of Bangkok Station, which had been sent over, while we went in the four-oared boat of Petchaburee.

On the afternoon of December I was held the opening session of mission meetings, which were in progress until December 9. The first Sabbath, communion services were held at Sumray. There were four additions to the Church, all boys from the school. A few front seats were occupied by missionaries and friends of the mission, while the whole body and sides of the room were filled by Siamese. Mr. Mc-Clure preached in Siamese, then followed communion service, conducted by Mr. Eakin in both Siamese and English. The whole service was one of the most impressive I have ever attended. The Holy Spirit, I know, was in our midst.

Presbytery met the following Tuesday and it was decided that Mr. Thompson and family should

return to the United States as soon as possible. We had been sent to Petchaburee for another year, but when my husband saw that no one was to be sent here and the station must be closed and feeling the importance of work here, he begged the brethren that we might be sent; so, then, we were appointed and came over with Dr. Thompson from Bangkok. After about a week we went to Petchaburee for our goods and were there over Christmas. On the Saturday before, Mrs. McClure, Miss Galt and I worked all day arranging presents for our Siamese friends, which were given Monday morning after chapel exercises. Children and teachers from all the outside schools had been invited in. Visions of good things swell the numbers here at Christmas time quite as much as in our Sunday-schools at home. To all we gave a treat tied in a handkerchief, besides a small gift. For the children most of the latter were articles of clothing, and to the older ones patchwork quilts, the work of the school.

Last Tuesday, the 17th, the Thompsons left us for Bangkok and intend to start home very soon. As the medical department is the most important feature of work here at Ratburee, the doctor has been coaching Mr. Eckels in the merits of different drugs and size of doses, and together they have been compounding medicines, liniments and ointments.

A PROJECTED TOUR.

January 23. To-day we are busy with preparations for an itinerating tour up the Maa Khlong. Dr. and Mrs. Toy accompany us. We start tomorrow morning and want to go up the river as far as Kanburee, which is about five days distant by boat. We are taking a lantern, sciopticon and the baby organ along. On our way down we shall make frequent stops at villages where opportunities occur for teaching or dispensing medicine. I suppose we shall be away about two weeks.

We have been here hardly long enough to be able to give correct views regarding work here, so I shall not write about this until later, but ask your prayers for us and for work in this place.

HELP THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

MRS. SNYDER wrote from BANGKOK, January 17: The little Sabbath-school at our place continues to keep up its good record. Of course, an average of 15 per Sabbath does not seem great compared with attendance on a home school, but when you consider the kind of people we have to work with there is room for encouragement. There is no day school connected with it, directly or indirectly. It is a sample of what can be done by simple evangelistic effort alone. We think the bulk of effort should be along that line. That is the kind of work the Master did.

I am wondering if some Band or Sunday-school would take pleasure in sending me some Bible illustrations. I think what is called the Sawyer Sundayschool Cards would suit me best. I believe they come in sets illustrating the lives of the Prophets, of our Saviour and the Apostles. It is hard to hold the attention of these little ones without something to look at. Illustrations also help me in use of the language. I do my best teaching when I have something with which to illustrate the lesson. The little tots, and even the grown-up people like it, too.

We have had a delightful, cool season this year, but it lasted only a little while. For several days the thermometer was a little below sixty degrees. The Siamese dislike cool weather. They stand around in the sun shivering and look as though it would hurt them to move. They have a great idea of wrapping up their heads and shoulders while they leave feet and legs bare. A big bath towel is a favorite wrap with these people.

LAOS.

Extracts from Christmas letters to a Lakawn missionary now on furlough in America :

LAKAWN, December 26, 1892.

Our Christmas is just over and a happy one it has been. Hope you have enjoyed it with your own loved ones. We had dinner at Mrs. Taylor's and tennis later. I certainly have no need to feel that I have not been remembered, even if I am so far from home. I am indeed grateful because I was permitted to come to this land. The welcome was a warm one.

It is something new to me to be where there are no other girls at all, but I must not grumble, not for one moment. I played the organ the other morning at Sunday-school and church; was glad I could do that. I find it very hard to sit still all during the services and not do anything. I long to be able to take your class of dear little girls. I think much of my teacher and enjoy the study of the language. Little Ella and Ray are very good teachers, too. I have had one long horseback ride, when we took Mr. and Mrs. Dodd around through the market and up to a temple where we had a good view of the plains and the city. It was my first day of outing since I came. We are having such a pleasant visit here. We felt the need of more than we could get during Presbytery and staid over. You should have seen how well Mr. Wilson entertained us, instructing the cook and keeping all going smoothly. We felt so much at home and so comfortable. We occupied your room and your white pigeon cooed its desire to entertain us and came in every day to visit, but it knew I'was not you and was very shy.

The meetings took up so much time there was scarcely any in which to visit. When we were not attending meetings we were going back and forward, but we had just the grandest meetings that I have ever attended.

We expect to start home Wednesday. Mr. Irwin will, if nothing prevents, settle down in Lampoon and share our rewards, our daily bread, tennis and crokinole, to say nothing of Peter and the monkey. We are sorry to deprive Lakawn, but we shall be very glad to have Mr. Irwin's companionship and help. We also hope to get a physician and be no longer the lonely, isolated station. Did you know we have asked the Board to send us eighteen new missionaries this year? Pray with us and work with us that we may have them.

We have been having a three days' Christmas here, everything on the table too good to be refused. I am feeling stronger than for a long while. I rode my pony over and was scarcely at all tired. I am glad it is getting warmer for our return trip. We have been having the coldest weather I have ever known here.

Belle E. Dodd.

Then think of it! Doesn't it take your breath? We are asking for three new stations this year, which means eighteen new people. Praa, Chieng Hai and Rahâng is the order in which they are asked. Chieng Mai had decided not to ask for Chieng Hai lest it would interefere with our plans for Muang Praa. That is the spirit that has been foremost this year. I hope the principle, *Ask for everything you need and could use if it were granted*, is now the settled policy of this mission. It is right. If the Board does not grant all we ask, that is their responsibility: Our business is to ASK. . . .

I am reminded of another item of business by the fact that the men are carrying my packed goods out to the boats and in a few minutes will want the desk on which I am writing. I no longer belong to Lakawn and my heart goes away down as I write the words. It is like leaving home. But there is one thing for which I am delighted. Perhaps it was with the desire to make the change easy for me that the mission sends me north with Dr. McGilvary on what he expects to be the longest tour ever taken. I am off to-morrow morning with Mr. and Mrs. Dodd, who are still here.

Anna King.

"'Tis the night after Christmas, and all through the house not a creature is stirring, not even a mouse," because Ella is fast asleep in her little bed and Mr. Taylor is at his desk writing and I am at my desk writing, too. Fact, I have just the prettiest little writing desk that you can imagine. Mr. Taylor surprised me with it this morning. I gave him a sort of stand to put by his writing desk to catch the overflow. You will remember how his desk is always filled. A Chinaman now here is a first-class cabinet-maker and it is such a comfort.

Presbytery passed off so pleasantly; there was such a good spirit prevailing. We all love each other more than we ever have. Every one seemed so earnest about enlarging our borders and each was so generous in giving up his special wants to any others that seemed more important or more conducive to the speedy evangelization of the whole field. We have asked to open a station at Praa and Dr. Briggs asked to be sent there, the new physician to take his place here. We are most anxious to see Praa opened up, but it will be a sad loss to us if Dr. Briggs goes.

Ella ran to Mr. Wilson with the new doll you sent her as soon as he came. Her tongue seems quite Laos. She calls Miss King, "Ba Keeng." I said over the English alphabet for her yesterday for the first time, and when I had finished she said, "Mamma, *hong paing tam.*"

Dora B. Taylor.

SYRIA.

MISS MARY T. MAXWELL FORD reports her transference:

I am in Sidon this year, not in Tripoli. The school here is quite different. All the girls, boarders, are from a distance and the day-school is quite distinct from boarding-school. Arabic is exclusively the language and the girls come from families in humbler circumstances and positions than in Tripoli. Here, as the boarders are entirely under the influence of those in the house, there is not the counteracting influence of outside families as in Tripoli — Greek church bigotry and pride, but then, again, that is what we do want to reach.

It is much milder here; there are no snow-covered mountains near to lower the temperature and, so far, it has been just like the month of June in New York. There are many orange gardens here and pomegranates. The features of the town are semi-tropical and very Moslem. The women have to cover themselves more closely than in Sidon, that is, they *all* wear veils and the *izar* just as they do in the Northern cities of Syria at Hums and Hamath.

We have two prayer-houses quite near, one on either side of the school, and nearly every night we have the benefit of the noise of the Moslem worshipers—noise, I say, but "noise" does not express it; it is a perfect pandemonium. They assemble in a room with a round-topped tower or dome and stay for several hours, beginning after sunset. They pray by saying, "There is no God but God," and repeating, "Allah! Allah! Allah!" hundreds of times very rapidly until they become exhausted with the effort. Then one man will sing; then they beat on something that sounds like tin pans or brass trays. Just fancy, this is worship of the Almighty God.

VERY INTERESTING, BUT SOMETHING TO MANAGE.

Miss Charlotte Brown, with whom I am associated here, and I, have a meeting for Moslem women once a week, on Wednesday mornings. About forty-five women come. They are from the very poor class; some are old, some very old, others young. One is a divorced wife about sixteen years old. Some have two eyes, some one, and some none. They average about one eye and a fraction. They do not come for the sake of hearing the Bible teaching; they come, poor things, once a week for three months, to get a little less than three yards of bleached cotton cloth, which we give for regular attendance. It takes two persons to manage the meeting, for they all talk, more or less. Last Wednesday we began with prayer, repeating each sentence after the person who leads. Miss Brown reviewed the previous lesson while I kept order, or tried to, with the aid of a bell, which would be rung when the noise began to be too loud. Then for a while there would be a silence and the speaker would go on. After Miss Brown finished I began with the new lesson, which has to be said in a loud, strong voice to be heard. A verse is then taught and then we sing ! This would make you laugh. Poor creatures! They are dirty, uncombed, unkempt, some in absolute rags, but some are bright with pleasant faces, and some come with clean, white head-covering, and one gets attached to them. They do learn something and remember it. They know of Jesus Christ, before they come, only as a prophet, and we have to teach them that He is that and more; there is something to begin on. Always a number bring their babies with them, and the babies are not always quiet, either !

I have given you an outline of Moslem women's meetings of the very poorest and most ignorant class.

I go every Sunday to a neighboring village, where I have a meeting with non-Moslem women. There are a number of villages within an hour or two hours from here. I go alone with one of the servants of the school, a converted Maronite. He is the bread kneader for the house, a strong, tall man, and his name translated into English means Palm Tree. I like this village work. I not only see the women, but just as many, or more, men. We gather in the room of some family of the place and every one sits on the floor during the reading, but all stand to pray.

PERSIA.

MISS MARY A. CLARKE, who went out to the boys' school in TEHERAN last fall, wrote from that city January 18:

My formal introduction to the boys was on January 2, when they came in a body to pay their New Year's call to their principal, Mr. Ward. It was more than just a call, for four boys read addresses in Armenian, Persian, French and English, respectively, and then presented Mr. Ward with an illuminated motto. It was framed in red plush and was altogether a gorgeous affair. This custom of New Year's addresses was instituted by the boys themselves, and while it must be rather trying for their teacher to stand and hear his praises sung in four different languages, the boys evidently enjoy it. They are devoted to their "Shepherd," as I heard one of them call Mr. Ward the other day.

My first work in school was the correction of an oration in English. The subject was "The Education of Woman." The thing in it which pleased me most was the phrase, "Christianity with its follower, education."

Graduating exercises were on January 16. There were four graduates. An entire week previous was devoted to examinations. Even when I could not understand the language, I could judge pretty well of the ability of the boys to answer questions, from their looks and actions, and I was delighted with the thoroughness of the work done. I spent a morning putting classes through an examination in English writing. I wish I might ever be able to write Persian as well as some of these boys write English. Some of them read and speak four languages with apparent ease, but the necessity for having so many languages is one great drawback to the school. As Mr. Ward says, "If we did not have to teach seven languages we might be able to teach something else."

ADOPTED EACH OTHER.

Last term there were ninety-five boys in school. Spring term opens January 30, and at that time my regular duties will begin. I suppose it is natural to enter upon any new work with some fear and trembling. I confess that I often feel unequal to this, but the boys and I have adopted each other quite cordially, and I trust that I may have grace and strength to accomplish for them some portion of what I see to be done.

INDIA.

MRS. JOHN NEWTON, who has been ordered home by the physician, wrote from Allahabad, February 9:

I really do not think we get our full allowance of time out here, for the day has scarcely begun when it is ended, and weeks fly by with marvelous celerity. You would think it such a slow country. I suppose you have heard that I am coming to America this spring and the reason. . . . It is hard to leave this school - harder than anyone can guess. It has been a sort of Benjamin to me and I seem to love it all the more, for the work and trouble which are increasing. I hope I shall be quite well and able to come out again by the end of summer. I leave the school in good hands . . . and full. A few more would crowd us. Our latest is the funniest tot. She will not condescend to talk to me. but to-day she did bring me her slate filled with wildly erratic strokes and looked inquiringly at me with big round eyes. She is only too popular and half a dozen girls beg us to get her as a boarder, and let them take care of her.

Good night and good-by. It will be "how do you do" soon. Our passage is taken in the *City* of Vienna which sails from Calcutta March 21. Mrs. Alexander and daughter will be my companions. We hope to get passage from England about May 1.

VILLAGE WORK.

MISS WHERRY, whose new undertaking at JAGRA-ON was mentioned last month, wrote from camp near that city at the end of January :

I thought when I came that I should try only going from place to place telling the "old, old story," but I find they do not get the idea I wish to convey at all, so I have arranged to begin regular teaching in the houses. My present idea is to teach them until they can read easily and then leave them and go elsewhere. Of course every day that they get a lesson they have as much of the Bible explained as they can remember, and a short verse to memorize.

I never before realized the loneliness and difficulties under which our native brethren and sisters labor, when alone in this way. Mrs. Ahmad Shah had stopped going into the little church her husband had built, because so many men came and gazed at her. If she sang they looked more than ever and so it goes with everything. She is a very good looking as well as nice woman and has a very nice family of six children. Three girls are nearly grown, so when they are at home from school she must stay with them all the time and be very careful who comes in, etc.

Women in the villages seem so much more contented and happy than those in the city. I see some very nice faces and have already become attached to some of those I meet. I am particularly anxious to try living among them to see if I cannot do more heart to heart work, when the women can come in quietly to talk and they will get to understand us better. 1893.]

HOME DEPARTMENT

PROGRAMME FOR JUNE MEETING .- AFRICA.

Gospel Hymns No. 5, Hymn 232.

PRAYER for growth in membership, in the grace of giving, in knowledge of missions, and in spirituality.

Keynote.—Ps. lxviii : 31.

PEN PICTURE from Acts viii : 26-40, tracing on map the steps of the Ethiopian and of Philip.

- REMARKS by members upon (1) Philip's instant obedience to command "Go ye," vs. 26, 27. (2) Adaptation of Gospel to "every creature" illustrated by the (3) The heart-cry, "How can I, except some man should guide Ethiopian. me?" (4) Ethiopian's joy in believing, v. 39; effect of the Gospel the same in hearts here, there and everywhere.
- MAP OF AFRICA, *Woman's Work*, June, 1890, enlarged on blackboard, and point out Protestant mission fields from "Key." Recite first two paragraphs from "Patchwork Continent," Children's Work, June, 1890.

"A Saunter across the Map of Africa," *Woman's Work*, June, '89. Names and locations of Presbyterian Stations and Missionaries, and Statistics, and notes on same, from Annual Report of Board of F. M. for 1892 (Pastor's Library).

PRAYER, for workers, foreign and native, and for more workers.

HYMN 81, "Ho, Reapers in the Whitened Harvest"; one stanza.

Study the Fan or Fangwe, as representative of hundreds of tribes that are to figure in the bright future of Africa.

I. Introduction to the Fan by Miss Nassau, *Woman's Work*, June, '91. II. ''A New Home in a Far Country,'' Mrs. Ogden, *Children's Work*, June, '88. III. '' Fangwe Cannibals having photographs taken,'' Joseph Reading, *W. W.*, June, '89. IV. ' Laying Literary Foundations for the Fangwe,'' *Church at Home and Abroad*, June, '92.

V. Fantastic Fashions of Fan Women, W. S. Bannerman, Letter (extract) *The Church*, Aug., '92, p. 150. VI. "A Fang Wedding, Dowry and all," A. W. Marling, *W. W.*, June, '92.

Sing 1st stanza "From Greenland's Icy Mountains."

"Africa in a World's Congress" (at Chicago Exposition, July, '93), Missionary Review, Nov., '92. A Call at the "Grave on the forest-clad hill" and at little Mary Nassau's birthplace at Talaguga, Children's IVork, June, '87, p. 84. "That Little Half-Barrel," Woman's Work, July. '85. "The Scourge of Africa" (Slavery), Miss. Rev., June, '92. "Summary of Uganda Troubles," Miss. Rev., Oct., '92.

Sing No. 81, 3d stanza.

A PALAVER. Short items in quick succession from memory, in one's own words upon :

Lesson in Systematic Beneficence ; Ripening Fields ; both in *The Church*, June, '92. Languages of Western Africa, *IV. IV.*, Ed'l Note, June,'89. "Spero Meliora," *IV. W.*, June, '92. Record of Kangwe, *The Church*, June, '92. Select from "Notes on Africa," *Miss. Rev.*, Jan., '93.

Read one of the three Leaflets.

Lassie Nell. From Woman's Home Miss. Ex. Com., 53 Fifth Ave., New York. Price, I cent. Bright Spots in a Dark Subject. From W.P.B.M., 48 McCormick Block, Chicago. Price, 3 cents. Africa for Christ or Mammon — Which? (On the Liquor Traffic.) Same as last address. Price, I cent.

A chain of Sentence Prayers for relief for Africa from slavery and liquor.

Announce subject for July meeting.

Closing Hymn, No. 27.

[It is not expected that the entire Programme will be used by any one Society. Choice of material may be made according to circumstances.]

MOUNT JACKSON, PA.

Mrs. Sophy L. Taylor.

CONDUCT OF MISSIONARY MEETINGS.

SOME HINTS GATHERED FROM EXPERIENCE.

HAVING the opportunity of attending several sessions of a very large missionary convention held by a sister denomination, I quietly took a few notes, and wonder if any of them might be suggestions to our own workers, especially for Synodical or Board meetings.

I. Immediately after opening devotional exercises a few moments were given to seating the delegates. They were placed directly in front of the platform, as close as possible to it. Each delegate was assigned her seat according to ecclesiastical connection, and occupied that seat from first to last of the session. As soon as seated, delegates handed the ushers the proper certificates from their respective societies, and were thus correctly enrolled The whole matter by the secretary. occupied but a few moments and the benefits were apparent throughout the meeting.

The President addressed all her re-2. marks, such as putting motions, amendments, etc., directly to these delegates, and each one voted distinctly as if she felt her responsibility. No others voted. This was much more satisfactory than to hear a few voices giving an uncertain, scattered sound when a vote was called for.

The presentation of the programme 3. was astonishingly divided up. Reports were given by different ladies, not only from various sections, but in regard to each publication of the Board, in regard to the distribution of leaflets, as well as each school supported. These ladies were prepared beforehand and presented their subjects in the shortest possible time, often occupying only one or two minutes. Opportunity was then given for discussion, and often so well improved that many took part, instead of having formal papers occupy the time. Each lady appointed to report took the platform and, the moment and kept up the tone of deafter reading, stood through the discussion and was called upon to answer questions, and I assure you the meeting was often pretty lively. Each subject was then acted upon by a motion to receive the report and the committee was discharged.

4. When missionaries or others took the platform to give more formal addresses they were introduced to the delegates, who at once rose to their feet and in some cases received them with applause. Indeed, clapping of hands was frequently indulged after speeches, singing of solos or very gratifying reports, and I must say a little clapping or a Chautauqua salute adds to the enthusiasm of a meeting, without being at all boisterous.

5. The President was somewhat advanced in years, but she had mastered parliamentary rules and knew how to practise them in a most business-like way, though with great suavity of manner. In some brisk discussions she stood, gavel in hand, and with quick eye discerned the proper speaker when three or four had arisen almost at once, called for her name and announced it plainly, smilingly rapping down all not in order. She put amendment on amendment and even wrestled with "the previous question" without once losing her head. It was a pleasure to watch her.

Should not all called to preside at such places take pains thus to qualify themselves for their duties?

6. Much was made of missionary litera-It was on sale in a conspicuous ture. place. A plain cloth sign suspended over it gave the name of the magazine and subscription price, and the lady in charge frequently called attention to something in that department. Pledges for the magazine were asked from secretaries present and I understood that several hundred subscribers were obtained.

7. I was pleased with the frequency of singing and prayer. Often some lady struck a familiar hymn and they sang one verse, almost without interruption to the business in hand. It seemed a rest. At other times a number was given out and sung with an instrument accompanying, and an occasional solo or duet varied the exercises. So, too, an occasional brief prayer seemed to be the proper expression for votional sentiment throughout the meeting. At twelve, the noon hour was announced and a moment was spent in silent prayer. Then some one begun "We need Thee every hour" and all sung scarcely above the breath, so that it became a prayer indeed and was very impressive. Business was then resumed for half an hour.

8. Executive meetings of officers were held in the evening, in which work for the coming year was thoroughly planned. A

complete loyalty to their decisions on the part of the delegates appeared to exist.

9. This meeting remained in session over the Sabbath, and, instead of popular evening meetings, the Sabbath services were devoted to the subject of missions and, in this way, many residents of the place were reached.

It may be a pertinent inquiry whether the men of our Church would not feel more interest in the cause of missions if it were oftener brought to their notice in

WHAT OUR READERS SAY

ONE or two notes of dissatisfaction with our present method of furnishing advance programmes for auxiliary meetings having reached our ears, an editorial note on the subject appeared in the March Woman's Work for Woman, for the purpose of testing the preferences of our fellowworkers. The result has been an answer so hearty and unequivocal that, for the present, the programme will continue to be offered a month in advance. It is impossible to afford space to more than the following samples of many kind and prompt communications which that "note" provoked.

From Los Angeles, California :

"Thank you for the convenient and suggestive programmes and for publishing them a month in advance; otherwise they would not be of much use to us in far off California. The officers of our little auxiliary at Grandview 'purr' over them every month, and that you have not heard us is not because we have not purred loud, but because you are so far off."

Cedarville, N. J. :

"Purr ! Purr ! Purr-r-r-r ! We had always been a month behind, taking China in March, and Mexico in April, and so on. But when the change was made we skipped into line, and it is much more sat-isfactory. The programmes are often beyond our ability and circumstances, but we modify and, frequently, they suggest what we can carry out.

"What a good plan it is to have them prepared by different persons. It adds life and vivacity.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa :

"Perhaps the long distance from Iowa to New Vork has prevented your hearing the 'contented purring' of Iowa Synodical Society. Please continue to give us the programme in advance ; it renders great aid and adds very much to the usefulness of the magazine."

Cleveland, Ohio:

"I have not read 'Purr when you are Pleased,' but I want to purr because I am pleased. Your gentle hint has brought me to express the thought that has often been in my heart. I hope the pro-grammes may not be discontinued."

Baltimore, Md. :

"The Central Church Auxiliary desire to make a

this way. Managers of our Synodical meetings often tell of their keen disappointment that so few attend the evening services when, perhaps at great expense, they have secured a missionary or some officer of the Board to be present. With many business men this absence is unavoidable; but if these speakers could be obtained for the Sabbath it might be very successful. Is this not something worth thinking about?

M. E. Goodman.

ABOUT THE PROGRAMMES.

very loud 'purr.' The programmes are always helpful and by having them a month in advance we are able to do them justice and never have a hurried or slovenly meeting. The only thing said against it is that we have to carry two magazines to meeting instead of one. Yes, contrary to all advice, we do take our magazines with us, but only for reference '

Indiana, Pa. :

"I come with an earnest, emphatic purr-r-r-r and hope you will continue furnishing the programme a month in advance. At our last meeting the ladies exclaimed, 'Oh, let us all purr, for we do like it and want it continued.'"

Springfield, Ohio:

"Here we come, Springfield First, purring, purr-ing, purr-ring, do hear us! I wish you could have heard the appreciative comments upon these programmes in the last six months from our corner. But shame on us ! that we reap so much from others' hard labor while we make no show of obligation.

"In our Society the thoughtful and studious women all made the suggestion simultaneously that for the coming year we prepare no programmes ourselves, but use those that are so complete in our sand consternation into our ranks."

Trenton, N. J.:

"Have been a grand help to me. It is a good deal of work to prepare an interesting programme once a month, but a pleasure to arrange a meeting when it is so nicely prepared.'

Altoona, Pa. :

"Please let me add my little 'purr.' As the leader of a young ladies' Band, the programmes have been a boon to me."

Jefferson, Iowa: "Allow me to 'purr' for I am truly pleased, yea, grateful, for the excellent programmes. The one given in this very number (April meeting) is worth the full price of the magazine.

Wooster, Ohio :

"No doubt we deserve to be cut off from some of our good things, but please don't begin with the programmes."

Savannah, Ohio :

"We do 'like' it even better than we 'thought we should.' Please don't change back. Many among fill them out beautifully. They are so suggestive that we can get up a good Auxiliary meeting, fit it into Young People's Society and then have twice as much as we can use for Church Monthly Concert of prayer."

Goshen, Indiana :

"Please listen to the 'purrs' of the Goshen local society and also the Fort Wayne presbyterial society in commendation of the programmes. They are just the thing to raise the standard of intelligence upon our work."

Aurora, N.Y.:

"We are so much 'pleased' that it is a pleasure to 'purr.' The programme greatly assists by giving the source from which to obtain information.

Corfu, N. Y.:

"The programme a month in advance is more available help. Yours 'purring.'"

Auburn, N. Y.:

"An excellent plan to have them in advance."

Horton, Kansas :

"I wish to purr my appreciation of the pro-grammes and, in fact, mere aloud for the whole magazine. We organized only last month. Pray that we may grow strong and be a fruitful branch in this line of the Master's work."

Dayton, Ohio :

"I utter a long and hearty purr-r-r-r. I am just as stupid as it is possible for anyone to be in getting up bright and varied programmes and so am in a position to appreciate anything good in this line.'

Jacksonville, Ill. : "I notice your dreadful threat, so hasten to 'purr' my loudest. I cannot bear the idea of your going back to the old way. I am busy with cares of house and children and, by having the programmes a month in advance, have been able to assign parts to different ladies, and by that means many have become more interested than ever before."

Carlisle, Pa.:

"The society of the 2d Church express our thanks for the programme a month in advance. We have used them with increased interest. 'Mrs. Jane Smith's Conversion' was read with admirable effect in our meeting to-day.'

Pataskala, Ohio :

ARRIVALS.

"Thanks again and again for the programmes a month in advance. Don't withdraw them — please Our meetings are made so much more sysdon't. tematic in mission study.'

Big Rapids, Mich. :

" If I could 'purr' as well as I am 'pleased' you might possibly hear me at No. 53.'

Indianapolis, Ind. :

"I hasten to 'purr' for fear you will quit printing the programmes in advance."

Campbell, N. Y.:

"Our society would like to 'purr' long and loud. The programmes have added interest to our meetings with little of former labor and research.'

Macomb, Ill. :

" By a vote of the Ladies' Society, I was authorized to express our thanks for the topics a month in advance, as it gives the members a much better opportunity to be prepared on them."

Los Gatos, California:

"We were very glad when you commenced to publish the programmes a month in advance, and hope you will not think of discontinuing them. The others were of small use to us, being often received on the day of the meeting."

Littleton, Colorado:

"Ever since the change was made I have been ' purring,' but it is a long way from the Rockies to New York and I could not be heard. I trust you will never for a moment think of 'changing back' to the old way.

Per contra. We have received but one letter expressing preference for the programmes not in advance. It is from New York City :

"When I read the little note in regard to furnishing the programme a month in advance, I felt that the time had come when I might speak my mind on the subject. I have never liked it for several reasons, but I will give only one. Only about half the members of our society take the magazine and I like to lend my copy where I think it may win a subscription, or to some one who enjoys it but feels unable to subscribe. The favorable time for this is at our monthly meeting and I seldom get the magazine returned until the next month. Sometimes it is lent to a new comer and insures her coming again, if for no other reason than to return it. I must either forego the pleasure of lending the magazine while it is fresh, or the help of the programme.

Will kind readers suggest a way out of the embarrassment expressed above?

BOOKS RECEIVED.

A Winter in North China. Rev. T. M. Morris. (Fleming H. Revell Company.) Impressions received by an English traveler from a hasty visit to many cities of China. Such travelers often notice things which old residents have ceased to observe, as this narrative illustrates. The author looked into mission work with a sympathetic heart wherever he went. Some confusion of names of Americans is perhaps less than might have been expected.

Madagascar, Its Missionaries and Martyrs. By Wm. John Townsend, D. D. (Fleming H. Revell Co.)

A compilation of 160 pages from larger works. Foreign Mission Manual for Junior Auxiliaries and Young People's Societies. (Woman's Boards of Missions, Congregational Church.) Price ten cents.

Well printed, attractive, including a handsome covenant card. It contains some hints useful to all young people's societies but is chiefly adapted to societies of that Church from which it is sent out.

SINCE LAST MONTH.

March ---- At San Francisco, Rev. J. A. Leyenberger, from Shantung, China. Address, Wooster, O. April 1.-At New York, Miss Anna Scott, from Landour, N. India. Address, Washington, D. C. April 9.—At New York, J. B. Thompson, M.D., and family from Siam. Address, 120 S. 17th St., Philadelphia.

DEPARTURES.

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February 15.—From New York, via England, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Perkins, for San Paulo, Brazil. March 30.—From New York, J. G. Wishard, M.D., formerly in Koordistan, accompanied by Mrs. Wishard, now going to Teheran, Persia.

MARRIAGES.

March 14.—At Nova Friburgo, Brazil, Miss Lily Becham Martin, of the Southern Presbyterian Mission, to Rev. Woodward E. Finley, of Larangeiras, Province of Sergipe, Brazil.

April 9.—At Binghamton, N. Y., Miss Mary G. Andrus to Dr. C. J. Laffin, under appointment to the Gaboon Mission, W. Africa.

To the Auxiliaries.

[For address of each headquarters and lists of officers see third page of cover.]

From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 1334 Chestnut Street.

Directors' Meeting first Tuesday of the month, at 11.30 A.M., and prayer-meeting third Tuesday, at 12 M., in the Assembly Room. Visitors welcome.

THE Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church (Philadelphia) will be held at 1334 Chestnut Street, Tuesday, May 2, 1893, at 11.30 A.M. L. E. Miller, Rec. Sec'y.

REFRESHING as a cup of cold water from a highland spring was the greeting brought us last month by Miss I. N. Adam, of Melrose, from our sisters of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland. Scotch was the accent, true the ring, pathetic the incidents and earnest the appeal for believing prayer for more workers — "six needed now, the money in hand" to which we listened and responded by a common impulse. We shall not soon forget our visitor nor her message.

Manual of Missions for Mission Circles and Bands, compiled by J. E. Cummings, is full of helpful information on various subjects connected with missions. The successive chapters arranged in question and answer form, present the various religions of the world and brief sketches of the countries where our own and other churches are engaged in missionary work. Statistical tables and other items of interest are also given. Price, 5 cents.

We have obtained from the United Society of Christian Endeavor, copies of two leaflets, *Christian Endeavor and Missions* and *Maps* and Money (price, 2 cents each). They are full of practical suggestions and will be helpful in Auxiliaries and Bands as well as Christian Endeavor Societies. The author, V. F. P., is a well-known worker in our territory and the plans that she proposes have been successfully tested in her own experience. We would call special attention to the series of questions for missionary study at the close of *Maps and Money* which are arranged from a series published in *Woman's Work for Woman* in 1881.

MRS. KNOX is doing most successful work in Steubenville Presbytery, organizing new Societies and stimulating older ones to greater earnestness and zeal. Several Presbyteries have engaged her for a fall campaign.

From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48 McCormick Block every Friday at 10 A.M. Visitors welcome.

In the next number there will be no Notes, but a condensed report of the Twenty-second Annual Meeting, and by the time the July *Woman's Work* reaches the subscribers we hope that every secretary will have received the Annual Report for her Society or Band. Please notice this word, and if one is *not* received by July, notify us and another will be sent. Honorary and Life Members are entitled each to a copy if they send us their addresses. If more than one copy is desired they will be supplied by payment of four cents, each, postage.

SOMETIMES with subscriptions for *Woman's Work* come words of commendation which are pleasant to hear. One says: "We cannot do without this magazine now. I have received it regularly for two years and am more anxious for this than all other periodicals that we get."

WE were exceedingly glad to greet Dr. J. G. Wishard and his bride at one of our recent meetings. Dr. Wishard told us of his mountain work in Persia and urged that an associate be sent to Miss Melton at Mosul, of whose work he spoke in high terms.

OUR Board of the Northwest has adopted Mrs. J. A. Ainslie of Mosul, who, with her husband, has been transferred from the American Board to the Presbyterian in the transference of that station. They are now at home on a visit, but will probably return in the summer.

REV. DR. C. W. MATEER, being with us one Friday, spoke of the injustice of the Chinese restriction act and said that if it were carried into effect it would cause the withdrawal of all protection from our missionaries and probably expel them from China. This act ignores the fact that the Chinese government should also have a word in the making of such a law, under existing treaty.

SUMS are coming into the Treasury as fruit of the "Self-denial Week." A dear, aged saint sends us her gifts by the hand of another who writes: "Her self-denial days are almost past, for she is so frail that it seems as though the Lord might at any time call her to Himself."

MRS. F. J. NEWTON of Ferozepore, India, and her daughter, now stopping with Mrs. Capron of the Moody Training School, have met with us once or twice, as also have four or five young ladies who are there fitting themselves for mission work.

MR. MERSHON, of the Christian Endeavorers, has prepared an exercise called "The Lamplighters of the Dark Continent," which will be excellent for an evening for our Bands, when Africa is the subject. The map was borrowed from Woman's Work, June, 1890. Send ten cents to us for copy.

WE have on hand a small book, Songs of the Orient, arranged as a concert programme. It contains "Songs from the Japanese," a "Chinese Ballad," "Arabian Melody," besides Persian, Hindustani, and other songs. Price, 20 cents per single copy; \$6 for 50 copies; \$10 per hundred. Address W. P. B. M., Room 48 Mc-Cormick Block, Chicago, Ill.

From New York.

Prayer-meeting at 53 Fifth Ave. the first Wednesday of each month at 10.30 A.M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and the reading of missionary letters, commencing at the same hour.

From St. Louis.

Meetings at 1107 Olive Street, first and third Tuesdays of every month. Visitors are welcome. Leaflets and missionary literature obtained by sending to 1107 Olive Street.

WHEN these words reach the readers, our Sixteenth Annual Meeting will be in progress. It is too early yet to know if our high hopes for the year have been realized. As we look into the face of the new year we do so with cour-age and enthusiasm. To all who have helped so faithfully this year and who are detained from coming to Annual Meeting, we send a loving greeting and grateful thought for their hearty co-operation. "One sits above" who has watched our work and He will strengthen us for the coming year.

THE Week of Prayer and Self-denial was precious and we hope it will become a fixed The prayer-meeting at Board institution. rooms was uplifting, The self-denial of the week caused us all to realize with humility how little we know of real, absolute SELF-denial. "Help us not to deny ourselves this week and make it up next," was a petition in one prayer.

EVERY Auxiliary Secretary is requested to send the addresses of the C.E. Secretary and Sunday-school Superintendent to the C.E. Secretary of the Board and thereby confer a helpful favor.

Now is a good time to send for mite-boxes, so that a whole year's gifts can go into them. We want all the Bands, C.E. Societies and Sabbath-schools supplied-yes, and the "grownups" in the Auxiliaries, too.

COPIES of the Annual Reports of the girls'

schools at Wang Lang, Bangkok, and Chieng Mai, Laos, will be helpful at May meetings and can be secured by sending postage. Also a de-lightful letter from Mrs. Chalfant, Ichowfu.

THERE are satin book-marks now ready at "1107," on which are printed the names of all the missionaries under the care of this Board. They are constant reminders to prayer for our missionaries. Price, ten cents, postage extra.

NEW LEAFLETS.

"Such Gifts and Givers as God Loves," price 1 cent; 10

"The Garden of the Great King," 1 cent; 10 cents per dozen. "What a Century of Christianity has Done for Woman," price 2 cents; 20 cents per dozen.

Address Woman's Board, 1107 Olive Street. St. Louis, not any officer by name, and thereby avoid delay.

From San Francisco.

Board Meeting, first Monday of each month, at 933 Sacramento Street; business meeting at 10.30 A.M.; afternoon meeting and exercises by Chinese girls in the Home at 2 P.M. Visitors welcome.

THE Seventh Annual Meeting of the Young People's Presbyterial Society of San Francisco was held at Westminster Church in March. One church was represented by a delegation of thirty-three, headed by the Sunday-school superintendent. Miss Carrie Morton, the retiring President, has served the Society faithfully for many years, but owing to other duties she felt obliged to withdraw at this time.

A LETTER has lately arrived from Mrs. Hoskins, of Zahleh, Syria, telling of the dear little baby girl who has come to cheer them. Our auxiliaries will be glad to receive copies of this letter, as Mrs. Hoskins has not been able to write for some time.

LETTERS have also been received from Mrs. Fulton, of Fukui, Japan, and from many of our "special objects."

AT a recent Presbyterial meeting Mrs. P. D. Browne spoke of the zenana work in India, and made an earnest appeal for workers to be sent there from the Occidental Board. May God grant that some one will hear the command, Go, ye," before another year has passed.

THE lot for the new Chinese Home has been purchased and work will be begun on the building very soon.

SOME of the San Francisco churches have given more this year to Foreign Missions than ever before, because they have given to this Home, a number of ladies giving \$100 apiece, who would never think of sending that amount to foreign lands.

AT the Benicia Presbyterial meeting, held at San Raphael, the luncheon was furnished and served by the Christian Endeavor Society of the church.

NEW AUXILIARIES AND BANDS.

COLORADO. Colorado Springs, 2d Ch. ILLINOIS. Camp Point, reorg. Edgar. KANSAS.

Delphos. Horton. MARYLAND. Baltimore, 1st Ch., Golden Rule

Circle. Baltimore, 2d Ch., Jr. C.E. Fulton Ave. Ch., Jr. C.E.

MICHIGAN.

Cass City, reorg.

MINNESOTA. Pipestone. Tracy.

MISSOURI. Clarence, Helping Hands. Glasgow, Young Ladies' Society. Louisiana, Bd. Rodney P. O., Enterprise. NEW JERSEY. Princeton, 1st Ch., Braddock Bd. Roseland. NORTH DAKOTA. Sheldon, Work and Win Soc. OHIO. Bethel, S.C.E. Cleveland, Madison Ave. Ch., Chal-fant Bd.

Cleveland, Madison Ave. Ch., Gas-ton Bd. Collinsville, S.C.E. Lebanon, S.C.E. Mt. Salem, Ontario, reorg. Reynoldsburgh.

Yellow Creek, S.C.E.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Concord, Busy Gleaners. Frankford, Hermon Ch., Busy Bees. Girard, S.C.E. Irwin, Little Lights. Long Run, Young Ladies' Soc. Lower Tuscarora, S.C.E. Lower Tuscarora, S.C.E. Mauch Chunk, Little Light Bearers. Oxford, Jr. C.E. Philadelphia, Green Hill Ch., S.C.E. "North Ch., Jr. C.E. Reading, Olivet Ch., Aftermath Soc. "Olive Branch, reorg. South Bethlehem, Willing Workers. South Easton, revived.

TENNESSEE.

Harriman, S.C.E. Knoxville, 2d Ch., S.C.E.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from March 1, 1893.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

 ATHENS.—Berea, 14: Cheshire, 15; Guysville, 5.30;

 Marietta, S.S., 23.57; McConnellsville, Cl. No. 5, 5; Middle-port, 14.30, S.C.E., 27.75; New Metamoras, 11; New Plymouth, 48-41,

 BALTIMORE.—Aberdeen, 35; Baltimore, Aisouith St.

port, 14:30, S.C.E., 27:75; New Midtamoras, 11; New Plym-164;33 BALTIMORE.—Aberdeen, 35; Baltimore, Aisquith St., 174; Boundary Ave., 54:46, Boys' & Grils' Bd., 6:86, S.C. E., Jr., 1:36; Broadway, 32:50; Brown Mem, 230, Mrs. Jones Bd., 20, Handful of Corn Bd., 55, Casket of Jewels, 10, S.S., 46:90, Primary Sch., 58:64; Central, 21, Seek and Save Bd., 50, Dugdale Bd., 18, Buds of Promise, 30, S.S., 150; Faith, 20:02, Cheerful Workers, 16:50, Daisy Chain, 20:25, Faith, 20:02, Cheerful Workers, 16:50, Daisy Chain, 20:25, Faith Workers, 47:02, Light Bearers, 15; 1st Ch., 357:50, Girls' Aux., 50; Fulton Ave., Do-without Bd., 5; 24, 60:08, Earnest Workers, 25, Willing Hearts, 10, Alex. Proudfit Bd., 22:75, R. H. Smith Bd., 13; 12th, 47:06, Guli-a-nar Bd., 50, Mission, 60; Lafayette Sq., 12:2,52, Earnest Workers, 45, Mosaic Cir., 5; Light St., 7, Willing Work-ers, 23; Ridgely St., 15, King's Little Builders, 10, Morr-ing Star Bd., 20; Waverly, Willing Workers, 26, Boys' Bd., 14; Wostminster, 54:07, Willing Helpers, 25; Bel Air, 30, Joy Bd., 30; Bethel, 62:08, Bd., 15:85, S.C.E., 3:55; Chestnut Grove, 35:10; Churchville, 60; Ellicott City, Rose of Sharon Bd., 50,65; Emmittsburg, 41:32; Frederick, 3; Govanstown, 15; Hagerstown, 33:50; Hamden, 12; Piney Creek, 29; Baltimore, Mrs, J. B. Moore, 208. 2057:26

Rose of Sharon Bd., 30.63; Emmittisburg, 41.32; Frederick, 21; Govanstown, 15; Hagerstown, 35.50; Hamden, 12; Piney Creek, 29; Baltimore, Mrs. J. B. Moore, 208, 20.957.26 BLAIRSVILLE.—Armagh, 12.15; Braddock, 15,00; Derry, 20.80, Bessie Milliken Bd., 10.10, S.C.E., 5; Fairfield, 15; Greensburg, 18t, 17, Foster Bd., 20.50, Sunbeams, 5,50; Greensburg, Westminster, 50, Miss Ellis, 3.65, S.C.E., Jr., 7.85; Irwin, 17.35, McGogney Bd., 14; Jeannette, 6, Rain or Shine Bd., 31: Latrobe, 50:33; Manor, 13; Morrellville, 6.26; Murrysville, W.M.S., 130.30; New Alexandria, 10; New Salem, 40; Parnassus, 50:40, King's Children, 35, S. 5, 50; Pine Run, 34.40, Orr Bd., 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Poke Run, 23:50, Silver Links, 10:50; Plum Creek, 20; Rule Bd., 1:50, S.C.E., 516; Duncannon, 27:06; Gettys-burg, 98; 56, Master's Helping Bd., 14; Green Castle, 81, VL.B., 22:60, Lilies of the Valley, 20; Harrisburg, Mar-ket Sq., 68, woman's prayer-meeting, 50, Macedonian Bd., 100, John A. Wier Bd., 30:67, Trust. 6, Willing Helpers, 3, S., sen. dep't, 38:0, S.C.E., Jr., 15; Harrisburg, Pine 51, 155, Syrian Helpers, 50, Chambers Bd., 10, S. K. Kawtz's cl., 10, Mary Campbell Bd., 14, Anything for lesus Bd., 7:50, Reapers, 7:50, General Fund Bd., 10, Y.L. Bd., 155, Whatsoever Bd., 54:44, Miss Pollock's cl., 10, Mrs. A. B. Hamilton's cl., 25; Harrisburg, Westminster, 18:70, S.S., sen. dep't, 33:0, G.C.E., 14, 14; ersburg,

Shippensburg, 89.23, Y.P.B., 38, Hull Bd., 30; Steelton, 4.22; Upper Path Valley, 35.33; Waynesboro', 28.70, 2,786.98 CATAWBA.-Concord, Scotia Sem., 25, S.S. cl., 3.20,

S.C.E., 3:45, S.C.E., Jr., 6; West Grove, 61.95, Stars, 2; a friend, 1, CHLLICOTHE.—Bainbridge, 2; Bloomingburg, 6, Glean-ers, 5, Buds of Profise, 10; Bourneville, 2:30; Chillicothe, 1st, 85, V.L.B., 15; Chillicothe, 3d, 14.65, inf. cl., 5.00; Concord, 8; Frankfort, 10; Greenfield, 28.40, Snowflakes, 2:50; Hamden, 12.25; Hillsboro', 35.35, S.C.E., 35, S.C.E., 17, 5, Sycamore Val., 5.75; Mt. Pleasant, 5; Marshall, 4; North Fork, 16.40; Pisgah, 7.50, S.C.E., 4; Salem, 54; Union, 3; Washington C. H., 38.20, Young Girls' Bd., 25, CLNCINNATI.—Linwood, S.C.E., 2.66 CLAPTON - Clarino, S.C.E.

CINCINNATI.—Linwood, S.C.E., 2.66 CLARION.—Clarion, S.C.E., 5.00 CLEVELAND.—Cleveland, Calvary, S.S., Christmas off.,

HUNTINGDON.—Alexandria, 46.85, legacy, Mrs. Mary Dorris Shaw, dec'd, 95, John Porter, Bd. and Branch, 32, S.C.E., self-denial, 5; Altoona, 2d, Allegheny Bd., 5; Al-toona, 3d, Arbutus Bd., 13; Everett, Lower Lights, 3,00; Houtzdale, 12,40; Huntingdon, S.S., Christmas off., 10,73; Logan's Valley, Y.L.B., 13,50, S.C.E., self-denial, 4.66; Petersburg, Juniata Bd., 3; Phillipsburg, a gentleman, special, 20, Moore Bd., 5; Tyrone, S.C.E., 32; Pres. Soc., 342,04

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Cheerful Workers, 3; Lock Ridge, 26; Mahanoy City, 26; Mauch Chunk, 150, Little Workers, 52.67, Ferrier Bd., 6.68, Little Light Bearers, 6; Middle Smithheld, 15; Dclaware Water Gap, 08.34, Willing Workers, 44, S.C.E., 6.52; Port Carbon, 31; Portland, 15; Pottsville, 15; A.J.67; Pottsville, 2d, 38.00; Reading, 18t, 24.09, Sparkling Gems, 30; Read-ing, Olivet, Aftermath Soc., 40, Olive Branch Bd., 3, S.S., 13.32; Reading, Washington St., 4; Shawnee, 25, Sunrise Bd., 4.50; S. Bethlehem, 15, Willing Workers, 10, inf. el., 5.50; Stroudsburg, 41.17, Ministering Children, 10, Little Reapers, 10, Y.P. Guild, 25; Summit Hill, 16.32, Mrs. Bal-lentine, 2; Upper Lehigh, 73, MAHONING,-New Lisbon, S.C.E., 14,00 MORRIS AND ORANGE, -Flanders, Girls' Bd., 5; Pleasant Grove, 10, 150

MARONNG.--New Lisbon, S.C.E., 1400 MORNIS AND ORANGE.-Flanders, Girls Bd., 5; Pleasant Grove, 10, 15,00 New BRUNSWICK.--Princeton, 1st, Braddock Bd., 18,00 NorthumberkLAND.-Bald Eagle and Nittany, 22,06; Ber-wick, 10, Y.L.B., 60; Bloomsburg, 168,55, Neal Bd., 85,14, S.S., 50; Briar Creek, 5,87; Buffalo Cross Roads, 30; Buf-falo, Mifflinburg, 25; Danville, Grove, 21,11, S.S., 15; Danville, Mahoning, 20,31, Y.L.B., 7,10, Kate Best Bd., 6; Hartieton, 5; Jersey Shore, 57,14; Lewisburg, 85,63, Snow-flake Bd., 21,544, S.C.E., 5,12; Lock Haven, 75,25, Y.L.S., 100; Lycoming, 15, Newton Bd., 23, Adeline Henry Bd., 45,50; Mifflinburg, 1st, 15,46, Reardon Bd., 15; Milton, 94,50, Y.L.B., 41, James C. Watson Bd., 22,06, S.C.E., 43; Montgomery, 6,65; Mooresburg, 6, Willing Workers, 4,22; Rhrsburg, 4; Shamokin, 18,44; Sunbury, 49,03; Warrior Run, 38; Watsontown, 32,20, Willing Workers, 30; Warrior Run, 35; New Berlin, 8; Orangeville, 36,42, S.S., 24,0; Rohrsburg, 4; Shamokin, 18,44; Sunbury, 49,03; Warrior Run, 35; Watsontown, 22,00, Willing Workers, 30; Washing-tonville and Derry, 63,75; Williamsport, 1st, 100, Curtis Hepburn Bd., 57, Richard Armstrong Bd., 50; Williams-port, 2d, 169, Y.L.B., 00, Gleaners, 10; Williamsport, 3d, 11, Y.L.B., 30; Mrs. M. A. Gamble, 23; Mrs. J. D. Rear-don, 5. PhiLADELPHIA.-Arch St., 195, Mizpah Bd., 25, S.S., 00 2,147.78

don, 5. 2.147.78 PHILADELPHIA.—Arch St., 195, Mizpah Bd., 25, S.S., 90, S.C.E., 13.15, S.C.E., Jr., 12.02; Bethesda, S.C.E., 10, S.C. E., Jr., 4; Bethlehem, 80, a lady, 17; Central, 108.15, Miss C. A. Lindsay, 50, Messengers, 80, Laughlin Bd., 60, Cen-tral Bd., 57.68, Gleaners' Brigade, 38.03, Pauline Bd., 13, Hope Cir., 48.60, primary sch., 27.62, S.C.E., 25; Green Hill, 100, Mary Gregory Bd., 30, primary dep't, 13, Shining Lights, 30 cts. S.C.E., 20; North, 62; N. Broad St., 108, 20, Y.L.B., 30, Helping Hands, 30, Bds. (coll. Ann. Meet.), 50; Shepherd, 70; Temple, 94, Temple Workers, 77:58, Grace Bd., 10, S.C.E., 50; 10th, Mrs. S. Foering, 2; Scots Ch., Mrs. M. D. Reynolds, 10; Union Tabernacle, Johnstone Soe, 100; West Hope, 51,50, Y.L. B, 25, inf. sch., 12,

PHILADELPHIA, NORTH.-Germantown, 2d, S.C.E., 25.00 SHENANGO.-Clarksville, 51.25; Beaver Falls, 25, S.C.E., 232; Centre, 4.81; Enon, 30; Hermon, 21; Hopewell, 31; Little Beaver, 30.15; Mahoning, 12, Y.P.S., 5.25, S.C.E., 15; Neshannock, 25.50; New Brighton, 5; New Castle, 151, 11, Helena Bd., 5, Corinthian Cir., 2.50, S.S., 35, Mrs. Jessie Hamilton, 25; Rich Hill, 6.80; Sharon, 60; Slippery Rock, 16.50; Unity, 5, Y.L.B., 47; Westheld, 61.85, Bd., 5, 530-93 South FLORIDA.-Eustis, 5250 South FLORIDA.-Alten Mem., Y.P.S., 50 cts., S.S., 3; Bethesda, Bd., 74 ets.; Burkeville, Ingleside Sem., 2.25; Bebengzer, 11, Grace Chapel, 2; Petersburg, Central, 50

3: Bethesda, Bd., 74 cts.; Burkeville, Ingleside Sem., 2.25; Ebenezer, 1; Grace Chapel, 2; Petersburg, Central, 50 cts.; Russell Grove, 2. UNION.—Hebron, 5; Hopewell, 2.50; Knoxville, 2d, 26.85, S.C.E., 16, S.C.E., Jr., 4.28, Mrs. Sutherland's cl., 2.52; Knoxville, 4th, 47.42, Y.P.B., 30; Maryville, Willing Workers, 15; New Market, 15.25; New Providence, 24; Roekford, 3.50; Shannondale, 15, Golden Rule Bd., 7; Westminster, 5.

Roekford, 3.50; Shannondale, 15, Golden Rule Bd., 7; 210,32 Westminster, 5, Washingcron Citv.—Anaeostia, 3.26, Guiding Star Bd., 6.50; Darnestown, Earnest Workers, 30; Falls Ch., 16.50; Hyattsville, 50:13, Y.L.B., 11.07, McIlvaine Bd., 35, S.C.E., 20; Lewinsville, 12, Bd., 14; Manassas, 10.10; Vienna, 8; Washington, 1st, 27.50, S.S., 40; 4th Ch., 16.75; 6th, 30.63, Cheerful Givers, 40; Fifteenth St., 18; Assembly, 65.84; Covenant, 486.25, Y.L.B., 71, King's Daughters, 25, Peck Chapel, 65; Eastern, 5; Gunton Temple, 20; Gurley Mem., 42; Metropolitan, 30, Mateer Bd., 60; New York Ave., 260.30, Faith Chapel, 20, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E., Jr., 3; Western, 53.55, Earnest Workers, 5; West St., 36.76, Will-ing Workers, 12; Westminster, 30; Pres. Soc., 135.87, 1.864.21

1,864.31

WELLSBORO',—Arnot, 6; Covington, 2; Elkland, 9.06; Farmington, 2; Kane, 5; Knoxville, 6; Mansfield, 4.06; Osceola, 8; Wellsboro', 41, 83,06 MiscELLANEOUS.—Brickersville, Mrs. C, H. Asay, 3; East Downingtown, Mrs. E. J. Tutton, 25; Eldersridge, Pa., Mrs. N. W. Elder, self-denial, 5; Hillsboro', Tex., Mrs. Lula Kellenberger, 1; Philadelphia, Miss H. Cornog, 5; M. S. F., 50; "Sister," 10; a friend, self-denial, 1; Mrs. W. A. Orbison and family, self-denial, 2; interest on in-vestment. 106. vestment, 106,

Total for March, 1893,	\$20,003.18
Total since May 1, 1892,	79,494.21

In Woman's Work for January, "New Philadelphia, 30," was omitted from Steubenville Pby., and \$20 from Two Ridges Ch, should have been credited to Band.

MRS. JULIA M. FISHBURN, Treas., 1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia. April 1, 1803.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to March 20, 1893.

ABERDEEN. — Abcrdeen, 12; Britton, 6; Groton, 7, 25.00 BLOOMINGTON. — Bement, 60.60; Bloomington, 2d, 248.64, Stevenson Bd., 38, C.E., 25.80, Y.P.S., 76.93; Chenoa, 32.51, Y.L.S., 26.10; Champaign, 1.65; Clarence, 13.10, Cheerful Workers, 3.08, Acorn Bd., 2.23; Clinton, 19.55; Cooksville, 8.45; Danville, 66.56; El Paso, 6.21; Gilman, 11, Memorial Bd., 5.50; Heyworth, 33 cts.; Lexington, 62.55, S.S., 13, C. E., 10, Jr. C. E., 10.60, Pioneers, 3.60; Minonk, 8.57; Mont-icello, 11.85; Normal, 27.75; Onarga, 70.77, S.S., 5, C.E., 20, 9; Piper City, 107.00, Neely Bd., Seniors, 18.43, Neely Bd., Junors, 10, 32, C.E., 8.75; Pontiac, 150 Rankin, 65 cts. C.E., 5; Selma, 3.32; Tolona, 12.41, Gleaners, 16; To-wanda, 52 cts.; Watscka, 50 cts.; Waynesville, 1.23; Pbyl. 50c, 13.35, ...

DAVTON, - Oxford, Western Fem. Scm. M.S., 47-54
 PARGO.-Buffalo, 17.55; Casselton, 25; Hillshoro, 17.05;
 Y.P.B., 15; Jamestown, 29.55, Jamestown College, 13.51; Lis-

bon, Passover off., 2.75; Sanborn, 2.73, Work and Win Soc.,

bon, Passover off., 2.75; Sanborn, 2.73, Work and Win Soc., 8.25; Tower City, 6, 13.430 Fr, Donce.-Bancroft, 7.76; Churdan, Lily of the Val-ley Bd., 3; Ft. Dodge, 90, Penny and Prayer Bd., 10, Girls Bd., 10.50; Gildden, 11.26; Grand Junction, 5.82; Jefferson, 31.65, C.E., 12; Lake City, C.E., 10; Livermore, 5, Boys Brigade, 2.25, Daughters of the Regiment, 3, 202.24 Fr. WAYKE.-Blufton, 5; Elkhart, 47,50; Ft. Wayne, 15t, 36.47, S.S., 37.83, Mrs. Wells' Bible Cl., 30; 2d, 30, C.E., 9; W. Wayne Bd., 20.50; 3d, 25.55; Goshen, 44.50, Y.L.B., 9; W. Wayne Bd., 20.50; 3d, 25.55; Goshen, 44.50, Y.L.B., 9; W. Wayne Bd., 20.50; 3d, 25.55; Goshen, 44.50, Y.L.B., 9; W. Hayne Bd., 20.50; 3d, 25.55; Goshen, 44.50, Y.L.B., 9; W. Mayne Bd., 20.50; 3d, 25.55; Goshen, 44.50, Y.L.B., 9; Warsaw, 42.35, Girls' Band, 4, 405.70 FLINT,-Bad Axe, S.S., 10, one el., 10.75; Caro, 27; Fen-ton, 4; Flint, 20.65, S.S., 31, C.E., 10; Y.L.S., 25; Lapeer, 173.40 FREEDORT,-Dakota, Rock Run Ch., 15; Freeport, 1st, 17, pr. off., 83; 3d, 35; Galena, 1st, 6.50, Y.L.S., 20; Rock-ford, Westminster Ch., 26.20; GRAND RAPDS,-Big Rapids, 12.53; Evart, 8, S.S., 0; Grand Haven, 50, S.S., 50; Girand Rapids, 1st, 21, Y.L. S., 5, S.S., 5, Boys' Bd., 68 ets., B.M.U., 2.11; Westminster Ch., 34.50; Hesperia, 13.50; Ionia, 8, Girls' Bd., 8; Luding-ton, 16.05; Muir, 5; Montague, 4.25, 22.60, GUNNISON.-Aspen, 25; Grand Junction, 14; Salida, 16.17, INDIANAPOLIS.-Bloomington, 20.70, S.S., 10, FL.C.

INDIANAPOLIS.—Bloomington, 20.70, S.S., 17.90, Jr. C.E., 1.48; Edinburg, 6; Franklin, 60.77, Mission Bd., 25, Ful-ton Circle, 10; Greencastle, 5; Greenwood, 10; Hope-well, 50.94, C.E., 3; Indianapolis, 1st, 200, Sunshine Cor-ner Bd., 10; 2d, 200, Y.L.S., 66.66, Mr. Wm. S. Hubbard, 500; 4th, 61.81; 6th, 10; 7th, 60, Y.L.S., 25; Whiteland, 26,

IowA.—Burlington, S.S., 2.85, C.E., 15; Ft. Madison, 7, Primary Cl., 2.50, S.S., 12.50; Kossuth, 5; Keokuk, Willing Workers, 10, Light Bearers, 6.52; Lebanon, 11.50; Troy, 3; Washington Tp., 10, IowA CITY.—Brooklyn, 6.25; Columbus Junction, 5; Dav-enport, 1st, 76, Y.L.B., 63; 2d, Y.L.B., 7.50; Iowa City,

52.50, Buds of Promise, 5; Keota, 4.99; Muscatine, 63.50; Tipton, 33.58, King's Daughters, 13.21; Unity, 80 cts., S.S., 4.75; Washington, 17.32; Wilton, 16.50, Busy Bees, 5; W. Branch, 15; W. Liberty, 45.77; Williamsburg, 5, S.S., 5; Mrs. G. B. Smith, 2.50; Pbyl. off., 7.70, 455.87 LAKE SUPERIOR.-Escanaba, 5; Ishpeming, 16.55; Mar-quette, 15.12; Menominee, 46.50, Girls' Star Bd., 25; Ne-gaunee, 20; Sault Ste. Marie, 16, 144.17 LIMA.-Columbus Grove, 10; Delphos, 23.17, th. off., 6, S.S., 32.66; Finlay, 1st, 44.71, th. off., 13.09, Liles of the Field, 21.21; 2d, 7.88; Lima, 1st, 32.50; McComb, 20.30; Middlepoint, 2.50; St. Mary's, 14.70, Willing Workers, 3.54; Mt. Blanchard, 13.34.

Middlepoint, 2:50; St. Mary's, 14.70, Willing Workers, 3:54; Middlepoint, 2:50; St. Mary's, 14.70, Willing Workers, 3:54; LogANSPORT.—Bethlehem, 7; Concord, 2:30, S.S., 4:09; Crown Point, 5, King's Children, 22; Goodland, 4; Ham-mond, 1.81, inf. cl., 82 cts.; Kentland, 14; La Porte, 43.65, C.E., 10; Logansport, 181, 60, V.L.C., 25; S.S., 12; Broad-way Ch, 32.80, S.S., 25; Michigan City, 15.32, C.E., 20, S. S., 10:54; Monicello, 18; C.E., 5; Mishawaka, 3, S.S., 5:03; Plymouth, 24.30; Rensselaer, 10:50; Remington, 6.85; Ro-chester, 4:50; South Bend, 1st, 28, C.E., 50; Valparaiso, 71.28; Union, 41.73, 52, Citma, 15.70; Lodi, 14; Madison, 12; Prairie du Sac, C.E., 4; MANKATO.—Blue Earth, 25; Le Sueur, 16.40; Lu Verne, 5:70; Mankato, 52, Mrs, J. A. Willard, 27.50; Pilot Grove, 10; Redwood Falls, Y.L.S., 12, Little Heralds, 1:03; Win-nebago, 35, Matters, Marrisonville, 12,60, C.E., 31;

Arskerford, S. Mirs, J. A. Willard, 27, 50; Pilot Grove, 10; Redwood Falls, Y.L.S., 12, Little Heralds, 1.03; Winnebago, 35; 184.63
MATTOON.—Mattoon, 4; Morrisonville, 12, 60, C.E., 3; Moweaqua, C.E., 2; Shelbyville, 25; Tuscola, 45, 35; Vandalia, 12, 50, Passover off., 13, 90, Columbian off., 2:35, 122, 70
Mitwaukee.—Beaver Dam, 1st, 8, 95; Assembly Ch., 6:79, C.E., 10; Juncau, 16; Manitowoc, 13, 77, Mrs, Hubbard's el, 3, 72; Milwaukee, Westminster Ch., 11, 84, C.E., 10, 50; Calvary Ch., 200, Passover off., 5, Willing Workers, 5; Immanuel Ch., S.S., birthday box, 17, 27, Y.L.S., 37, 50, pr. off., 10, 84, C.E., 10; Passover off., 5, Willing Workers, 5; Immanuel Ch., S.S., birthday box, 17, 27, Y.L.S., 37, 50, pr. off., 10, 84, C.E., 13; Racine, 70; Waukesha, 35. 502.18
NioBRAKA.—Hartington, 5; Wakefald, 3:72, 8:70
OTTAWA.—Aux Sable, 6:70, C.E., 5; Morris, 26; OSwego, 3:8, C.E., 162; Paw Paw, 20, 85, S.S., 145; Rochelle, 38, Y.L.B., 3; Sandwich, 41, 92, C.E., 5; Morris, 26; OSwego, 3:8, C.E., 162; Paw Paw, 20, 85, S.S., 145; Rochelle, 38, 22, 40; Fernington, 24:10, Y.L.S., 101, S.A., 116 Owlfs, 5,441
Deer Creek, 13, 50; C.E., 44, 0; Delavan, 20, 05, S.S., 38, 64; Dunlap, Prospect Ch., 41, 75; Elmira, 59, 40; Elmwood, 12, 20; French Grove, 10; Galesburg, 17, 13, Pearl Seekers, 12, 50; C.E., 43, 14; C.E., 30; Elmwood, 12, 20; French Grove, 10; Galesburg, 17, 13, Pearl Seekers, 12, 50; C.E., 43, 21; Green Valley, 25, 10; Ipava, 47, 56, Gleaners, 15; C.E., 3: 73; Knoxville, 53, 13, Whatsoever Bd., 30; Lewistown, 84, 17, Bd., 25; Low Point, 6; Peoria, 1st, 23, 48; C.E., 50, 20; C.E., 46, 26, 20; Trivol, Brunswick Ch., 3. 91, 75, Puselo.—Monument, Mr. Will Lierd, 24, 50; Sotinaw.—Alpena, 17, 54; EM 20; Vy, 50, 50; S.S., 73, 55, C.E., 7; E. Saginaw, Washington Ave. Ch., 14, a friend, th. 61, 51; Mae, 4, 75; W. Saginaw, 14, 40; Saginaw, 15, 40, 52, 73, 46; W. Bay City, Covenant Ch., 5, 88

182.04

MiscELLANEOUS.—Bloomfield, N. J., Westminster Bd., 30, Putnam, Ill, Susan M. Vail, 5; Oakville, Ill., S.S., 5; Cherokee, Ia., 10; Kirkwood, Ill., 50; S. Dak., "Eva." 35 cts.; Ottumwa, Ia., 50 cts.; Prairie City, Ia., Miss Jane Elliott, 25; Minneapolis, 1st, Merry Gleaners, 25, 150.85

Total for n	ionth,			\$14,837.35
Total recei	pts since	April :	20, 1892,	64,212.99

MRS. C. B. FARWELL, Treas., o, 1893. Room 48 McCormick Block. CHICAGO, March 20, 1893. Y.P.S.C.E., Greensburg, Ind., report a box sent to Miss Irwin, of India, valued at \$50.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for March, 1893.

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ple Builders, 15,17; 2d, 164,15, Y.L.S., 88.97; South Third 5t, 140.65, Y.L.S., 70, Miss. Bd., to; Throop Ave., 161.41, Y.L.S., 43,75, Girls' Bd., 80 ets., King's Daughters' Cir., 3,59, Y.P.S.C.E., 6,57, Miss. Y.P.S.C.E., 5; Trinity, S.S., 35; Westminster, 53.38, Y.L. Guild, 20; Stapleton, S. I., 151, 14,58; West New Brighton, S. I., Calvary, 55, Wide-awake Bd., 51; Woodhaven, L. I., 14,74, and the start of the start

Ferry, 8; Meridian, 45; Owasco, 1, Girls' Bd., 2; Port Byron, 26; Union Springs, 12, Y.L.S., 15; Weedsport, 28.03, 639.34

28.03, 09.34 CHEMUNG.—Big Flats, 16; Burdette, 12; Dundce, 13; Elmira, 1st, 32.70; Lake St, debt, 5, Sunshine Circle, 7-10; North, Infants' Dept., debt, 2.63; Havana, 8; Hector, 10; Horseheads, 32.20, Pleiades Bd., 40; Necklenburg, 13 50, debt, 2; Monterey, 5; Moreland, 4.25; Rock Stream, 14; Spencer, 10; Southport, 14.42; Sugar Hill, 5; Tyrone, 1; 28801 Watkins, 41.11

Bernere, 10; Southeloy, 3, Moreland, 425; Kork Sifean, 14; Spencer, 10; Southeloy, 14, 425; Nucket Sifean, 14; Segencer, 10; Southelop, 14, 42; Sugar Hill, 5; Tyrone, 1; Watkins, 41, 11.
EBENEZER, KV.-Ashland, 30, Union Bd. of Helpers, 15; Covington, 70, 40, Y.L.S., 50, King's Stars, 20, The Bankers, 15; Dayton, 120, 5; Fankfort, 25; Lexington, 2d, 10, p. off. add'l, 1.25; Lucas Bd., 3; Ludlow, 1st, 10; Maysville, 2; Mt. Sterling, 722, Children's Bd., 1.50; Newport, Y.L.S., 45; Paris, 30,
GENESEE.-Attica, 6.10; Batavia (Life Member), 158, 10, Acorn Bd., 1126, S.S. Miss. Bd., 10, 18, S.S., 25; Bergen (Life Member), 33, 50, Busy Bee Bd., 11; Byron, 42, 50; Castile, 120; Corfu, 25, 50; East Pembroke, 10; Dla, 32; Le Roy (3 Life Members), 156, 26; North Bergen, 40; Oakfield, 12; Perry, 7, S.S., 30; Portageville, 6, 30; Stone Church, 31, 50, May Blossom Bd., 16; Warsaw, 110, 11, Y.W.S., 65, 75; Wyoming, 26, 40.
GENEVA.-Bellona, 12; Canandaiuga, 25, Persia Bd., 25; Gorham, 34, Willing Workers, 20; Naples, 14, 24, King's Daughters, 8; Oaks Corners, 12; Ovid, Brother's Bd., 30; Garland of Roses, 5; Phelps, 70, Everett Soc., 15, Loving Hearts' Cir., 17; Komulus, 36; Seneca, 60, Miss. Bd., 20; Stanley, Busy Bees Bd., 20; Trumansburgh, Y.P.S.C.E., 300; Waterloo, 20; West Fayetter, 15, 222, 60, 44, 57; May Blossom, 51, 60, 55, 78; Hamptonburgh, 26, 75; Haverstraw, 75, S.S., 25, Y.P.S. (E., 10; Hopewell, 25; Livingston Manor, 4, 50; Middei on, 16, 112; Florida, Miss. Bd., 0; Goshen, 06, 45, Y.L.S., 18; Hamptonburgh, 26, 75; Haverstraw, 75, S.S., 25, Y.P.S. (E., 10; Hopewell, 25; Livingston Manor, 4, 50; Middei on, 16, 15; Margan, 26, 16; Stanley, 26, 17; Manor, 56, 5; Middei on, 16, 45, Y.L.S., 18; Hamptonburgh, 26, 75; Haverstraw, 75, S.S., 25, Y.P.S. (E., 16, Hopewell, 25; Livingston Manor, 4, 50; Middei on, 16, 45, Y.L.S., 18; Hamptonburgh, 26, 50; Girls' Bd., 10, Boys' Bd., 5; Ramapo, 20; Waterloo, 20; West Fayetter, 18, 25; Middei on, 16, 5; Ramapo, 20; Materloo, 20; Materloo, 20; Mi

23.20, I.illburn S.S., 35; Ridgebury, 5:75; Roscoe, 3:05; Scotchtown, 16.50; West Town, 53. 682.03
Lowg ISLAND.-Amagansett, 5:35; Bellport, 20; Bridgehampton, 29, Little Givers, 20; Cutchogue, 15; East Hampton, 29, Little Givers, 20; Cutchogue, 15; East Hampton, 11; Franklinville, 8:70; Greenport, 50,74; Manor, 4:50; Nattituck, 28:57; Middle Island, 15; Self denial, 3; Y.P.S.
& Dime Soc., 2:02, Long wood Bd., 12; Moriches, 25; Sag Harbor, 31:35; Selden, 1; Setauket, 20:43, Children's Bd., 1; Southampton, 82:59, Silver Star Soc., 3:22, Shinnecock Ch., 10; Southold, 67:25; Westhampton (Life Member), 67:37, Wide Awake Bd., 6; Yaphank, Willing Workers, 45:0, CE. Soc., 1: a friend, 5, 58:80
Lotusvit, K., Wide Morkers, 12; Louisville, Central, 60, Children's Bd., 10; College St., 75, Children's Bd., 25; Rovenant, 43; Fourth, 6; Knox, 10; Olivet, 7:70; Warren Mem'l, 100; Y.L.S., 40; Pewee Valley, 23:25; Princeton, 10:00; Shelbyville, 20, 24:45, 20; Cameron Bd., 45:8, 10:00; Children's Bd., 25; Miss. Bees, 5; Newark, 47:60, Y.P. Guild, 50; Cameron Bd., 45:8, 10:50; Wolcott, 28:60, 20; Cameron Bd., 25; Souts And Children's And Orange, N, J.-Morris Plains, Faith Bd., 25; Morristown, 18:, 300; South SL, 150; Parsippany, 37, 200

25; Morristown, 1st, 300; South St., 150; Parsippany, 37,

NASSAU.-Babylon, 5; Freeport, 8.15; Huntington, 1st, 20, S.S., 25; Jamaica, Y.P.S.C.E., 30; Newtown, 5.84; Northport, 11.50; Oceanville, 5; Roslyn, 4.33; Smithtown, S.S., 5; Springfield, 3.50, 123.32

The remainder of this Report will appear next month.

> Total for March, \$24,363.13 Total since April 1, 1892, 64,150.88 MRS. C. P. HARTT, Treas., 53 Fifth Ave., New York City.

MRS. J. A. WELCH, Asst. Treas., 39 West Seventeenth St., New York City.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Southwest for the month ending March 26, 1893.

EMPORIA.—Indianola, 2.50; Wichita, 1st, S.C.E., 15; West Side, Y.P.S.C.E., 5, HIGHLAND.—Horton, Jun. C.E., 10; Washington, S.C.

HIGHLAND.--Horton, Jun. C.E., 10; Washington, S.Č. E., 4, 14.00 NEOSHO.-OSwego, S.C.E., 3.00 NORTH TEXAS.--Denison, 9.20, S.S., 5.60, birthday box. 20.25 OZARK.--Carthage, 1st, 32.70; Neosho, 8.30, We-show-you Bd., 1; Springfield, Calvary, S.C.E., 23.25, 65.25 PALMVRA.--Hamibal, 1st, Day Spring Bd., 25, S.C.E., 6.25; Kirksville, 4, S.C.E., 10; Lagonda, 1.62; Linneus, Bethel, 3.65; Louisian, 7.50; Moberly, 5, 63.02 TOPEKA.--De Sota, 3.63; Junction City, 20; Kansas City, Grandview Park, 12.05, Inf. S.S., 3.05, Sunbeam Bd., 4.20; 1st, S.C.E., 56.25; Leavenworth, S.C.E., 20; Manhattan, 3; Morganville, German, Child's Bd., 15; Mulberry, 6;

Olathe, 2,50; Oskaloosa, 12.25, S.C.E., 4.50, S.S., 2.25; Perryville, 5; Topeka, 1st, 50, Y.L.S., 15, S.S., 20,95; 2d Ch., 3, Lower Lights, 5; Westminster Ch., 15,00, Gleaners, 5, Jun, C.E., 3, Mrs. C. A. Condict, 5; Vinland, 10, 302-53 TRINITY.--Dallas, 2d Ch., 13,25 MiscelLaNeoUS.--Concordia, 7.45; birthday off., 5; friends in Missouri, 13; Bennington, Kan., 4,15; King-man, S.C.E., 5; Mrs. C. A. Condict, 5, 30,60

Total reccipts,	\$543.40
Previously acknowledged,	51373-74
To date,	\$5,917.14

MISS JENNIE MCGINTIE, Treas.,

4201 Annex, Page Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Receipts of the Woman's Occidental Board of Missions for the month ending March 25, 1893.

BENICIA.—Healdsburgh, 24; Mendocino, 18; Napa, 20; Petaluma, 7.50; San Rafael, 56.50; Santa Rosa, 86, Loyal Hearts, 4.50, Mary Lyon Soc., 37.50; St. Helena, 10, Crown Winners, 5; Vallejo, 5.10, Los ANGELES.—Alhambra, 6.20; Anaheim, 9, S.S., 10.80;

Winners, 5; Valiejo, 5,10, 274,10 Los ANGELES. – Alhambra, 6,20; Anaheim, 9, S.S., 10,80; Azusa, 43,10, Buds of Promise, 2,50; Beaumont, S.S., 1,40; Colton, 21, S.S., 4,95; Coronado, 10,50; Bd., 10,70; Elsi-nore, 6, Do-what-you-can, 12; Glendale, 11,75, Links and Strands, 2, Loyal Hearts and Helping Hands, 5; La Caĥada, S.S., 1,65; Los Angeles, 1st, 24,35, per Mrs. Cochran, 25; Archie Hodge Bd., 38,85, Round Table of the King, 65, C.E., 6,40; 2d, 10, Busy Bees, 4; King's Messengers, 24,50, S.S., 2; 3d, 11; Bethany, 9,68, S.S., 6, C.E., 10; Boyle Heights, 30; Grand View, 41,20, Kate Dimmick Bd., 10, S.S., 3,85, C.E., 15; Immanuel Ch., 100, Mary T. Minor Hd., 0.95; Young Ladies' Soc., 70,85, C.E., 11,10; Spanish sch., Estrella de la Mañana, 5,50; National City, Golden Links, 5; Orange, 7,05, Golden Links, 2,41, C.E., 1,50; Palms, 30; Pasadena, 14,50; Redlands, 57,18, Livingstone Bd., 27,25, C.E., 5,45; Riverside, Arlington, 102,67, Missionary Chips, 12,01, S.S., 20; Calvary, 10; San Bernardino, 12,50; San Diego, 44,15, Noble Bd., 8, S.S., 12,50; San Pedro, 5,35; Santa Ana, 17,18; Santa Barbara, 107,87, Mrs. B. Douglass, 600, Adams Bd., Chinese, 10, S., 20, 20; Santa Monica, Miss. Bd., 25; Tustin, 3,:0; West-minster, 3. 22,241,76 2,241.76

Minster, 3, Oakland.-OAKLAND.--Alameda, Boys' Brigade, 15; Berkeley, 1st, 22.25, Busy Bees, 20; Centreville, 0.10; Haywards S.S., 15, C.E., 10; Oakland, 1st, 255.20, Sunbeams, 48, C.E., 100; 2d, 2.50; Brooklyn, 140.35; Centennial, 4.10, 650.50

ced, 5; Mod Stockton, 39,

MiscelLANEOUS,—Board rec'd at the "Home," 405; con-tribution box at the "Home," 23,20; contribution box at Occidental School, 2,30; friends, through Mrs. P. D. Browne, 5; Mrs. C. J. King, West Saticoy, Cal., 10; Wo-men's For. Miss. Soc., Montreal, 25, 470.50

Total for the month,	\$4,804.00
Total since March 25, 1892, Less amount of Siam and Laos Famine Fund,	10,094.71 36.00
	\$10,058.71

MRS. E. G. DENNISTON, Treas. March 25, 1893. 933 Sacramento St., San Francisco, Cal.

